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HR_____ COMMENDING STEVEN T. COX ON THE OCCASION OF HIS 30TH ANNIVERSARY AS PASTOR OF CHURCH OF LIFE, INC.

WHEREAS, with great pride and special pleasure, we highly honor Pastor Steven T. Cox for 30 years of ministry to Church of Life, Inc., in Prichard, Alabama; and

WHEREAS, Pastor Cox accepted the Lord Jesus in his life on September 21, 1981, and has been walking and working in the service of the Lord for 43 years; he has worked in building up and restoring several churches before becoming a pastor in 1995; and

WHEREAS, he is a graduate of The University Of Alabama, where he earned a Bachelor's degree in Public Relations with a minor in Civil Engineering Technology; he earned a Master's degree in Theology Studies from Spring Hill College in Mobile; and

WHEREAS, the Lord spoke to Pastor Cox and instructed him to begin the Church of Life, Inc., in Prichard; following the instructions of the Lord, he began building and repairing the site for a place of worship; and

WHEREAS, Pastor Cox called on his family and various workers to assist in the preparation and transformation of the building into a local church; the major work of preparing the sanctuary was completed in November 1995; and

WHEREAS, Church of Life held its first service on



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29 October 8, 1995, with Pastor Cox in communion with God
30 alone; on the second Sunday in October 1995, almost 20
31 people joined Pastor Cox in worship; and

32 WHEREAS, by the grace of God, the church's mortgage
33 was completely paid by its 11th year of ministry; a piece of
34 Pastor Cox's vision came to fruition in 2017 when the Elder
35 Annie E. Cox Community Center opened; years later in 2022,
36 he was consecrated as Bishop of the Church of Life
37 congregational ministry; and

38 WHEREAS, Pastor Cox has been an advocate of spiritual
39 and social change within the Prichard community; he has
40 opened the doors of Church of Life often in support of
41 citywide prayer vigils for Prichard; he currently serves as
42 a guest reviewer on Sunday School Lesson weekly broadcast
43 sponsored by Gospel 900 WGOK, Cumulus Station, and iHeart
44 Radio; now therefore,

45 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
46 LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, That we extend heartfelt
47 congratulations to Pastor Steven T. Cox on the occasion of
48 his 30th Anniversary as Pastor of Church of Life, Inc.; this
49 resolution serves as recognition of his service and we wish
50 him continued success as he continues his ministry.