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HR_____ CELEBRATING THE 14TH ANNIVERSARY OF DR. MICHAEL OLIVER AT TRINITY BAPTIST CHURCH.

WHEREAS, it is with great respect and sincere admiration that we commend Dr. Michael Oliver for 14 successful years of service as senior pastor of Trinity Baptist Church in Madison, Alabama, contributing significantly to the church's continued growth and lasting impact in the community; and

WHEREAS, a native of Hokes Bluff, Dr. Oliver has served as senior pastor of the Trinity congregation since 2012; prior to Trinity, he served for 15 years as the senior pastor of First Baptist Church of Williams in Jacksonville, Alabama; he has also served churches in Tennessee and Kentucky; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Oliver was first licensed to preach in June 1987 and was ordained in September 1990; he earned his Doctor of Ministry from Mercer University's McAfee School of Theology, Master's degrees from Jacksonville State University and Southern Baptist Theological Seminary in Louisville, and a Bachelor's degree from Jacksonville State University; and

WHEREAS, he has served as a summer missionary in both Alaska and Israel, participated in a pilgrimage to Israel with 17 other ministers from various denominations, and was



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29 a member of a team studying the state of the church in Cuba;
30 in addition, Dr. Oliver led significant disaster relief
31 efforts in building homes for displaced families after the
32 2011 tornadoes; and

33 WHEREAS, Dr. Oliver's other work includes serving as
34 a two-term moderator of the Alabama Cooperative Baptist
35 Fellowship, a convener for Peer Ministry Groups, the Lilly
36 Endowment, Inc., and a chaperone for Passport Kids Summer
37 Camps for more than 15 years; and

38 WHEREAS, he enjoys reading biographies and camping in
39 the Smoky Mountains with his wife, Mary, and their four
40 sons; Dr. Oliver has also been a volunteer coach for youth
41 and junior high school basketball for many years; and

42 WHEREAS, Dr. Oliver's continued goals for ministry at
43 Trinity include focusing on local and international
44 missions, disaster relief work, and congregational
45 visioning; now therefore,

46 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
47 LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, That we are proud to celebrate this
48 anniversary with Dr. Michael Oliver, and we are grateful for
49 his years of service rooted in meaningful worship and
50 strengthening community relationships for all age groups;
51 this resolution is presented to him as a record of the high
52 esteem in which he is held, along with best wishes for
53 continued growth and success for the Trinity Baptist Church
54 congregation.