

By: Davis of Dallas

H.R. No. 133

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Dr. Stephen Jones has been chosen by the Texas
2 Legislative Black Caucus to receive an Outstanding Texan Award for
3 his many contributions to his community; and

4 WHEREAS, The Outstanding Texan Award was created to honor
5 individuals who have demonstrated an unwavering commitment to
6 improving, developing, and enriching the lives of others; and

7 WHEREAS, Dr. Jones is pastor of Mount Sinai Baptist Church
8 and chairman of the Division of Arts and Science at Paul Quinn
9 College in Dallas and has a love of learning that led him to achieve
10 the highest of academic pursuits; he has a bachelor's degree in
11 chemistry from Bishop College, a master's degree in chemistry from
12 Texas Southern University, and a Ph.D. in biochemistry from
13 Clark-Atlanta University, and he is currently working on a master
14 of divinity degree at Baylor University; and

15 WHEREAS, He is a coauthor of and served as project director
16 for the development of *CORD Biology*, a science textbook, and made
17 substantial contributions to two other textbooks that are presently
18 used in four countries; and

19 WHEREAS, In his pastoral experience, he has enriched the
20 lives of many; he provided spiritual aid and comfort to those in
21 need through his previous roles as the assistant jail ministry
22 coordinator at Fulton County Jail in Atlanta, Georgia, and as the
23 youth minister at both Antioch North Baptist Church and the Friends
24 of Atlanta Homeless Ministries; and

1 WHEREAS, Dr. Jones began his ministry under the leadership of
2 Dr. C. A. W. Clark at the Good Street Baptist Church, where he
3 served as an associate minister, Sunday school teacher, and
4 assistant director of Christian education; he is currently the
5 president of the Southeast Dallas County Ministers Alliance; and

6 WHEREAS, Devoted to his wife Andrea and his son Joseph, Dr.
7 Jones is a notable community leader who has committed significant
8 time and energy to counseling those in need, and he is truly worthy
9 of being named an Outstanding Texan; now, therefore, be it

10 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 78th Texas
11 Legislature hereby congratulate Dr. Stephen Jones on receiving the
12 Outstanding Texan Award from the Texas Legislative Black Caucus and
13 extend to him sincere best wishes in all future endeavors; and, be
14 it further

15 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
16 prepared for Dr. Jones as an expression of high regard by the Texas
17 House of Representatives.