

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 194

**WHEREAS**, The Senate of the State of Texas is pleased to recognize Dr. Melvin Von Wade, Sr., on the occasion of his inauguration as president of the National Missionary Baptist Convention of America; and

**WHEREAS**, Dr. Wade is a graduate of Bishop College, and he attended Perkins Theological Seminary at Southern Methodist University; and

**WHEREAS**, Dr. Wade has served as pastor of Bethlehem Baptist Church in Dallas and Mount Pilgrim Baptist Church in Houston; since 1975, he has been the pastor of Mount Moriah Baptist Church in Los Angeles, California; and

**WHEREAS**, Dr. Wade has brought the healing word of God to many by serving as a citywide evangelist in 12 major cities in the United States; he also serves as vice president of the California Missionary Baptist State Convention; and

**WHEREAS**, More than 10,000 delegates from across the country will witness the inauguration of Dr. Wade as president of the National Missionary Baptist Convention of America during the 2003 Winter Board Meeting, which is being held in Houston from February 24 through February 27, 2003; and

**WHEREAS**, Upon assuming this new position, Dr. Wade becomes the spiritual leader to countless individuals, congregations, and ministers in his denomination; now, therefore, be it

**RESOLVED**, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 78th Legislature, hereby commend Dr. Melvin Von Wade, Sr., on his outstanding ministry and extend congratulations to him on this memorable occasion; and, be it further

**RESOLVED**, That a copy of this Resolution be prepared for him as an expression of esteem from the Texas Senate.

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President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on February 18, 2003.

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Secretary of the Senate

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Member, Texas Senate