SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 80

WHEREAS, The Senate of the State of Texas is pleased to recognize Pastor Leonard N. Barksdale and his family for eleven years of faithful service to the Fifth Ward Missionary Baptist Church; and

WHEREAS, Leonard Barksdale and his wife, Gladys, and their daughters, Lea and Anita, have worked to improve the quality of life for the church's members; and

WHEREAS, The Barksdale family has been a source of strength to one another and to members of the congregation; during times of hardship and bereavement, they have helped bear the burden of suffering and grief; and

WHEREAS, Pastor Barksdale, with wise guidance and inspired stewardship, has faithfully ministered to the spiritual needs of his congregation while working to improve the quality of life of his members; and

WHEREAS, The members of Fifth Ward Missionary Baptist Church will observe this auspicious occasion with an anniversary worship service on August 14, 2005, and a revival on August 15 through 17, 2005; the celebration of the Barksdale family's 11th anniversary marks an important milestone in the church's enduring commitment to its future; now, therefore, be it RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas,

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 79th Legislature, 2nd Called Session, hereby extend best wishes to Pastor Leonard Barksdale and his family on the 11th anniversary of their faithful service to the congregation of the Fifth Ward Missionary Baptist Church; and, be it further

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

Ellis

President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on August 9, 2005.

Secretary of the Senate

Member, Texas Senate