

By: Cook of Navarro

H.R. No. 362

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, The Reverend Dairy G. Johnson, Sr., is celebrating
2 his 20th anniversary as pastor of Bethlehem Missionary Baptist
3 Church in Corsicana, and this auspicious milestone is cause for
4 reflection on this talented Texan's many accomplishments; and

5 WHEREAS, A graduate of Corsicana High School and Navarro
6 College, Reverend Johnson received his theological training at a
7 number of institutions, including the Southern Bible Institute and
8 Guadalupe Theological Seminary; and

9 WHEREAS, Over the course of two decades as senior pastor of
10 Bethlehem Missionary Baptist, Reverend Johnson has distinguished
11 himself as a sage advisor, an able administrator, and a gifted
12 spiritual leader; and

13 WHEREAS, His contributions to the community extend far beyond
14 the walls of his beloved church, and he has given generously of his
15 time and talents to such worthwhile organizations as the NAACP, the
16 Interdenominational Ministerial Alliance, the Navarro County
17 Health Board, the Martin Luther King Center, and the American Red
18 Cross; and

19 WHEREAS, Throughout his career, Reverend Johnson has drawn
20 strength and sustenance from his loving and close-knit family,
21 including his wife of more than three decades, Ellender Pearl
22 McDonald Johnson, and his children, Tiffany Diane Johnson, Dairy
23 Johnson, Jr., and Elizabeth R. Johnson; and

24 WHEREAS, His immediate family is joined by the many members

1 of his extended family and numerous friends in joyous celebration
2 of his tenure at Bethlehem Missionary Baptist Church, and we join
3 them in paying tribute to this remarkable individual; now,
4 therefore, be it

5 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 79th Texas
6 Legislature hereby honor the Reverend Dairy G. Johnson, Sr., on
7 celebrating 20 years as pastor of Bethlehem Missionary Baptist
8 Church in Corsicana and extend to him sincere best wishes for the
9 future; and, be it further

10 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
11 prepared for Pastor Johnson as an expression of high regard by the
12 Texas House of Representatives.