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H.R. No. 736

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Friends, family, and colleagues of Dr. Anita Spivey
2 of Houston are gathering at St. Philip Missionary Baptist Church on
3 March 18, 2005, to celebrate this vibrant Texan's 65th birthday and
4 her 14-year tenure as a minister; and

5 WHEREAS, Anita Spivey was raised in the Trinity Gardens area
6 and was educated in Houston schools, including J. C. Sanderson
7 Elementary School, E. O. Smith Junior High School, and Phillis
8 Wheatley Senior High School; she earned her bachelor's and master's
9 degrees in business education from Texas Southern University and
10 also completed mid-management and superintendent certification;
11 she began her theological studies in 1987 at Gospel Ministry
12 Outreach Institute and, after receiving her doctorate, became a
13 minister at Church of the Living God, Temple No. 18; and

14 WHEREAS, Dr. Spivey has worked as a teacher for the Houston
15 Independent School District for more than 25 years and has served as
16 vice president, secretary, and treasurer of the Houston Teachers
17 Association; she is currently a substitute teacher and cohosts an
18 evening radio show that addresses issues pertaining to the lives of
19 seniors; as a volunteer, she has worked at SHAPE Community Center,
20 sponsoring a program for African American boys, and has taught art
21 therapy at the Edith Irby Jones Center; and

22 WHEREAS, A strong and resilient soul, Anita Spivey is a
23 breast cancer survivor and never let her illness hamper her
24 generous and selfless spirit; beloved by her three children, nine

1 grandchildren, six great-grandchildren, and countless admirers,
2 she is truly an inspiration to all those who are privileged to know
3 her, and it is a pleasure to honor her on this happy occasion; now,
4 therefore, be it

5 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 79th Texas
6 Legislature hereby commend Dr. Anita Spivey on her accomplishments
7 as a community leader, educator, and minister and extend to her
8 sincere best wishes for health and happiness; and, be it further

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