

By: Dutton

H.R. No. 1516

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, The congregants of Bethlehem Missionary Baptist
2 Church of Houston are deeply grateful for the ministry of their
3 pastor, Dr. M. L. Jackson, and on May 15, 2005, they are
4 commemorating his 47th anniversary with the church; and

5 WHEREAS, Since accepting the pastorate in 1958, Dr. Jackson
6 has focused his time and talents on his important work as pastor,
7 within his church, throughout the Bayou City, and beyond; and

8 WHEREAS, Appointed by Governor Ann Richards to the Texas
9 Ethics Commission, he has served as moderator of the South Texas
10 District Association and chair of its churches and public affairs
11 task force, as vice president of the Baptist Ministers' Association
12 of Houston and Vicinity, and as a board member of the National
13 Baptist Publishing Board; he is a much-sought-after guest speaker
14 at various functions and an active member of numerous civic
15 organizations; and

16 WHEREAS, This proud World War II veteran cherishes his
17 family, which includes his wife, Clara Belle Bennett Jackson, their
18 four children, three grandchildren, and two great-grandchildren;
19 and

20 WHEREAS, Dr. Jackson has truly been a blessing in the lives of
21 countless people during his years of exceptional service to his
22 church and community, and his many good works have earned him the
23 lasting respect and admiration of all who know him; now, therefore,
24 be it

1 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 79th Texas
2 Legislature hereby congratulate the Reverend M. L. Jackson on his
3 47th pastoral anniversary with Bethlehem Missionary Baptist Church
4 in Houston and extend to him best wishes for the future; and, be it
5 further

6 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
7 prepared for Dr. Jackson as an expression of high regard by the
8 Texas House of Representatives.