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RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, In March 2007, the Reverend Dr. G. V. Clark and 2 congregants of Mount Zion Baptist Church in Austin are celebrating 3 Reverend Clark's 37th pastoral anniversary, and this occasion provides a fitting opportunity to recognize him for his many 4 5 notable achievements; and WHEREAS, Reverend Clark attended Huston-Tillotson College, 6 where he received his bachelor's degree and an honorary doctorate; 7 he earned a master of divinity degree from the Episcopal 8 Theological Seminary of the Southwest and furthered his education 9 at The University of Texas at Austin and Andover Newton Theological 10 11 Seminary; he has worked as a public school teacher, state hospital 12 chaplain, and civil servant, including a tenure as director of the 13 Office of Civil Rights at the Texas Rehabilitation Commission; and 14 WHEREAS, In his 37 years as pastor of Mount Zion Baptist 15 Church, Reverend Clark has served with distinction and earned the respect and admiration of his congregants with his strong faith and 16 able stewardship; and 17 18 WHEREAS, Reverend Clark has given generously of his time and noted leadership skills to several religious 19 and civic organizations, including the Missionary Baptist General Convention 20 21 of Texas and the State President's Council of the National Baptist 22 Convention of America, Inc., both of which he serves as president; in addition, he has volunteered with the NAACP, Texas Public 23

Employees Association, Boy Scouts of America, Big Brothers Big

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- 1 Sisters of Central Texas, and the Austin Council of Alcoholism; and
- 2 WHEREAS, In its devoted pastor, the congregation of Mount
- 3 Zion Baptist Church has found a teacher, a counselor, and a stalwart
- 4 friend; his strength and compassion have provided comfort to many
- 5 individuals, and his faith and dedication continue to inspire all
- 6 who know him; now, therefore, be it
- 7 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 80th Texas
- 8 Legislature hereby congratulate the Reverend Dr. G. V. Clark on his
- 9 37th anniversary as pastor of Mount Zion Baptist Church and extend
- 10 to him best wishes for the future; and, be it further
- 11 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
- 12 prepared for Reverend Clark as an expression of high regard by the
- 13 Texas House of Representatives.

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 423 was adopted by the House on February 20, 2007, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House