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RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, Reverend Bryan L. Carter of Concord Missionary 2 Baptist Church has been named a winner of the 2007 Outstanding Texan

Award in the category of pastors by the Texas Legislative Black

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5 WHEREAS, Outstanding Texans are honored for the positive 6 impact they make in their communities, and the dedicated service 7 that Reverend Carter has provided as a minister has greatly 8 enhanced the lives of many individuals in the Dallas area; and

WHEREAS, A native of Oklahoma City, Reverend Carter earned a bachelor's degree in secondary education from Oklahoma State University in 1998, and he is currently working toward a master's of theology at Dallas Theological Seminary; he entered the gospel ministry as a youth, following in the footsteps of his father, the late Reverend Grover C. Carter, Jr.; and

WHEREAS, Reverend Carter joined the staff of Concord in 2000 as associate pastor of discipleship, in which capacity he fulfilled duties involving Sunday school classes and home Bible studies; he went on to serve as discipleship pastor and assistant pastor before being named senior pastor in October 2003; under his leadership, the church has added some 1,000 new members and continued to build on its tradition of vibrant ministry; and

WHEREAS, Reverend Carter has further distinguished himself as a talented teacher and preacher at such notable events as the International Expository Preaching Conference, the Southern

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- 1 Baptist Pastors' Conference, the Urban Alternative Conference, and
- 2 the National Conference on Preaching; moreover, he shares his time
- 3 as a board member of Mentoring Brother to Brother, the Heads Up
- 4 Foundation, and H.I.S. Bridgebuilders, and he is a member of the
- 5 African American Pastors Coalition of Dallas and Alpha Phi Alpha
- 6 Fraternity; and
- 7 WHEREAS, Bryan Carter stands as an inspiring example of how
- 8 one person can better a community through professional dedication
- 9 and civic activism, and the Outstanding Texan commendation is a
- 10 fitting recognition of his exemplary achievements; now, therefore,
- 11 be it
- RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 80th Texas
- 13 Legislature hereby congratulate the Reverend Bryan L. Carter on his
- 14 receipt of a 2007 Outstanding Texan Award from the Texas
- 15 Legislative Black Caucus and extend to him sincere best wishes for
- 16 continued success; and, be it further
- 17 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
- 18 prepared for Reverend Carter as an expression of high regard by the
- 19 Texas House of Representatives.

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 1637 was adopted by the House on April 24, 2007, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House