By: Davis of Dallas

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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

impact they make in their communities, and the dedicated service

that Reverend Carter has provided as a minister has greatly

8 enhanced the lives of many individuals in the Dallas area; and

9 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

14 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

17 duties involving Sunday school classes and home Bible studies; he

18 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

21 on its tradition of vibrant ministry; and

WHEREAS, Reverend Carter has further distinguished himself

23 as a talented teacher and preacher at such notable events as the

24 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
- 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.