

**SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 550**

**WHEREAS**, The Senate of the State of Texas is pleased to recognize the Reverend Dr. G.V. Clark, pastor of the Mount Zion Baptist Church in Austin, on the occasion of his 37th pastoral celebration; and

**WHEREAS**, In honor of Reverend Clark, the church is having a monthlong celebration in March, which will include a G.V.C. Golf Tournament, a minister's conference, a church breakfast, and a music ministry musical; and

**WHEREAS**, Reverend Clark serves as the moderator of the Saint John District Association and as president of the Missionary Baptist General Convention of Texas; he is also president of the Moderator's Council and president of the State President's Council of the National Baptist Convention of America; and

**WHEREAS**, He earned a bachelor's degree from Huston-Tillotson College and a master of divinity degree from Episcopal Theological Seminary of the Southwest; his graduate studies were at The University of Texas at Austin and Andover-Newton Theological Seminary in Massachusetts; he received an honorary doctorate from Huston-Tillotson College; and

**WHEREAS**, Reverend Clark's previous professional experiences include teaching for the Round Rock Independent School District and serving as a chaplain for the Terrell State Hospital and the Austin State Hospital; he also worked with the Texas Rehabilitation Commission as a program specialist, a coordinator of equal opportunity, and a director of the Office of Civil Rights; and

**WHEREAS**, His local and national affiliations include the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, the Texas Public Employees Association, Boy Scouts of America, Big Brothers Big Sisters, and the Austin Council on Alcoholism; and

**WHEREAS**, A man of spiritual depth, Pastor Clark has performed countless ceremonies and has prayed for and counseled his church members during their hardships and in times of bereavement; he is a dedicated and inspirational church leader who has had a positive influence on the lives of many; now, therefore, be it

**RESOLVED**, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 80th Legislature, hereby congratulate the Reverend Dr. G.V. Clark on his 37 pastoral years and extend to him best wishes for a memorable celebration; and, be it further

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**RESOLVED,** That a copy of this Resolution be prepared for him as a memento of his 37th pastoral celebration.

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President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on March 22, 2007.

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Secretary of the Senate

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Member, Texas Senate