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H.R. No. 390

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Dr. E. Thurman Walker was honored by the members of
2 Antioch Missionary Baptist Church in San Antonio on August 31,
3 2008, in celebration of his 15 years as their pastor; and

4 WHEREAS, Dr. Walker earned an undergraduate degree in
5 accounting from Colorado College, a master of divinity degree from
6 the Morehouse School of Religion, and a doctorate of ministry from
7 the United Theological Seminary; before his appointment as pastor
8 of Antioch MBC in 1993, he served the congregation as
9 assistant/co-pastor for six years; and

10 WHEREAS, A respected denominational and civic leader,
11 Dr. Walker organized and chaired the Community of Churches for
12 Social Action and founded the Antioch Community Transformation
13 Network nonprofit and Youth United Against Drugs and Gangs; he has
14 served as dean of the Guadalupe District Association Congress of
15 Christian Workers and as an instructor at Wayland Baptist
16 University, the National Baptist Convention, USA, Inc., Guadalupe
17 College Seminary, and the American Baptist Convention; and

18 WHEREAS, This highly regarded gentleman has been involved in
19 a host of worthy organizations in the Alamo City, such as the Martin
20 Luther King, Jr., Commission, Child Advocates San Antonio, the
21 Alamo Community College District, St. Philip's College, and the San
22 Antonio Independent School District, among others; and

23 WHEREAS, His dedication and hard work have earned Dr. Walker
24 numerous honors, including a 2007 Religion Award from La Prensa

1 Foundation, Inc., induction into the Morehouse College Martin
2 Luther King, Jr., Board of Preachers, and the title of Clergyman of
3 the Year 1996-1997 from the Nation of Islam; and

4 WHEREAS, Dr. Walker derives great inspiration and support
5 from his wife, Jo Angelia Walker, their children, T. J. and
6 Kimberly, and their granddaughters, Raizel and Sabriya; and

7 WHEREAS, Throughout his career, Dr. Walker has demonstrated
8 an unwavering commitment to his church and his community, and his
9 efforts have enriched the lives of many area Texans; now,
10 therefore, be it

11 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 81st Texas
12 Legislature hereby commend Dr. E. Thurman Walker on his 15th
13 anniversary as pastor of Antioch Missionary Baptist Church and
14 extend to him sincere best wishes for continued success and
15 fulfillment; and, be it further

16 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
17 prepared for Dr. Walker as an expression of high regard by the Texas
18 House of Representatives.