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## RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, Reverend Keefe Cropper of Westbury United Methodist 2 Church in Houston has long devoted himself to serving his faith and 3 the greater community, and he is truly deserving of special 4 recognition; and

5 WHEREAS, A graduate of The University of Texas at Tyler, 6 Reverend Cropper received his bachelor's degree in psychology and 7 worked in the drafting and engineering fields for 13 years before he 8 was called to the ministry; he earned his Master of Divinity degree 9 from the Perkins School of Theology at Southern Methodist 10 University; and

11 WHEREAS, Reverend Cropper began his career in the pulpit at 12 Flint United Methodist Church in 1987 and served six other 13 congregations before becoming senior pastor of Westbury United 14 Methodist Church in 2007; he is currently conducting research in 15 the area of evangelism and mission as a Polycarp Fellow; and

16 WHEREAS, In all his endeavors, Reverend Cropper enjoys the 17 love and support of his wife, Tina, and two sons, Michael and 18 Stephen; his genuine regard for the welfare of others has enriched 19 the lives of many people, and by sharing his knowledge and 20 experience with his fellow congregants, he is benefiting his 21 community in countless ways; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 81st Texas Legislature hereby honor Reverend Keefe Cropper for his contributions to the community and extend to him best wishes for

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1 continued success in his good works; and, be it further

2 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be 3 prepared for Reverend Cropper as an expression of high regard by the 4 Texas House of Representatives.

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 2783 was adopted by the House on June 1, 2009, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House