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RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, Joseph C. Walsh, Jr., retired as minister of Laurel
 Street Church of Christ in San Antonio, concluding a career in the
 pulpit that spanned more than four decades; and

WHEREAS, Born in Kansas City, Kansas, to Joseph and Opal 4 5 Walsh, Joseph Walsh was baptized at Revere Street Church of Christ in San Francisco; he went on to become a gospel minister and to 6 7 serve at churches throughout the country, including West Adams Church of Christ and Eastside Church of Christ in Los Angeles, 8 9 Southside Church of Christ in Tucson, and Coconut Grove Church of Christ in Miami; in 1999, he was named to lead Laurel Street Church 10 of Christ, where he has put in place a 10-year plan for church 11 12 growth and property development that includes a bilingual ministry, a successful youth program, and an annual health fair; and 13

WHEREAS, Brother Walsh is dedicated to community outreach and has been involved in Campaign for Christ and Head Start, as well as a prison and a Spanish ministry, among others; in addition, he has shared his faith with the citizens of Guyana and of numerous Caribbean countries; and

WHEREAS, In all of his endeavors, Brother Walsh enjoys the love and support of his wife, the former Wilma D. Thompson, with whom he has shared more than half a century, and he is the proud father of four children; and

23 WHEREAS, An inspiring and devoted leader, Brother Joseph 24 Walsh contributed significantly to the growth and prosperity of

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1 Laurel Street Church of Christ, and his legacy will continue to 2 resonate within this house of worship for many years to come; now, 3 therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 82nd Texas
Legislature hereby congratulate Joseph C. Walsh, Jr., on his
retirement from the ministry and extend to him sincere best wishes
for continued happiness; and, be it further

8 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be 9 prepared for Brother Walsh as an expression of high regard by the 10 Texas House of Representatives.

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 347 was adopted by the House on February 24, 2011, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House