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RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, Members of First Missionary Baptist Church in 2 Huntsville are gathering on April 10, 2011, to celebrate the 3 installation of their new pastor, the Reverend Darrell Dever; and

WHEREAS, First Missionary Baptist Church was founded in 1869 by the Reverend J. J. Rhinehart; through the years, the congregation has benefited from the able leadership of many dedicated pastors, and today that tradition of service continues under the direction of Reverend Dever; and

9 WHEREAS, A Houston native, Darrell Dever grew up in the Fifth 10 Ward community and graduated from Phillis Wheatley High School; he 11 has previously served as a Sunday school teacher and ordained 12 deacon at St. Emmanuel Baptist Church and as youth minister, 13 co-president of the church anniversary event, brotherhood and 14 Sunday school teacher, and assistant superintendent of Lighthouse 15 Missionary Baptist Church; and

16 WHEREAS, In all his endeavors, Reverend Dever enjoys the love 17 and support of his wife, Kendall; the couple are the proud parents 18 of four children, and they also have three treasured grandchildren; 19 and

20 WHEREAS, The appointment of Pastor Dever marks the beginning 21 of an exciting new chapter in the life of this notable house of 22 worship, and members of the congregation may indeed look forward to 23 deepening their faith and continuing their good works under his 24 spiritual guidance; now, therefore, be it

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1 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 82nd Texas 2 Legislature hereby honor the Reverend Darrell Dever on his 3 selection as pastor of First Missionary Baptist Church and extend 4 to him sincere best wishes for the future; and, be it further

5 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be 6 prepared for Reverend Dever as an expression of high regard by the 7 Texas House of Representatives.

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 1174 was adopted by the House on April 7, 2011, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House