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RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, Members of New Hope Baptist Church in Dallas are

celebrating the installation of their new pastor, the Reverend

3 Doctor Ronald E. Jones, on January 27, 2013; and

4 WHEREAS, Ronald Jones was born and raised in Dallas and

5 earned his bachelor's degree from Dallas Baptist University, his

6 master's degree from Abilene Christian University, and his doctoral

7 degree from Cornerstone University; his credentials also include

8 certifications as a temperament counselor and mediator, and as a

9 member of the National Christian Counselors Association, he directs

10 the counseling ministry at New Hope; and

11 WHEREAS, A dedicated public servant for nearly three decades,

Mr. Jones was elected mayor of Garland in 2007 and is currently

serving his third term; he contributes to his professional

community as president of the Metroplex Mayors Association and as a

15 member of the Regional Transportation Council of the North Texas

16 Council of Governments; previously, he held the post of assistant

17 city manager, and as a former management consultant to the city, he

18 helped set up a relief center for the victims of Hurricane Katrina;

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WHEREAS, Mayor Jones has held leadership roles with a number

21 of worthy organizations, including the North Texas Commission, the

22 Garland Civic Theatre, the Achievement Center of Texas, and New

23 Beginnings Center; he is also a member of the Kiwanis Club of

24 Garland, the Garland Citizen Police Academy Alumni Association, the

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- 1 Garland Asian American Task Force, the Garland Association for
- 2 Hispanic Affairs, and the Garland Landmark Society; and
- 3 WHEREAS, In all his endeavors, Mr. Jones enjoys the love and
- 4 support of his wife, Peggy, with whom he has shared 46 years of
- 5 marriage; their treasured family includes two sons, seven
- 6 granddaughters, and a grandson; and
- WHEREAS, The appointment of Pastor Jones marks the beginning
- 8 of an exciting new chapter in the history of New Hope Baptist
- 9 Church, and members of the congregation may indeed look forward to
- 10 deepening their faith and continuing their good works under his
- 11 spiritual guidance; now, therefore, be it
- RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 83rd Texas
- 13 Legislature hereby congratulate the Reverend Doctor Ronald E. Jones
- 14 on his installation as pastor of New Hope Baptist Church and extend
- 15 to him sincere best wishes for success in all his future endeavors;
- 16 and, be it further
- 17 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
- 18 prepared for Pastor Jones as an expression of high regard by the
- 19 Texas House of Representatives.

Giddings Johnson

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 455 was adopted by the House on February 28, 2013, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House