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R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Members of New Hope Baptist Church in Dallas are
2 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,
12 Mr. Jones was elected mayor of Garland in 2007 and is currently
13 serving his third term; he contributes to his professional
14 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;
19 and

20 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

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

7 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

12 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.