

By: Simpson

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R E S O L U T I O N

1           WHEREAS, The members of Calvary Baptist Church in Longview  
2 are joining together to honor Pastor Richard Jones for 25 years of  
3 dedicated service to that congregation; and

4           WHEREAS, A graduate of East Texas Baptist University in  
5 Marshall, Pastor Jones earned a master's degree in religious  
6 education from the Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary in  
7 Fort Worth in 1976; and

8           WHEREAS, Pastor Jones began preaching in 1973; 15 years  
9 later, he joined Calvary Baptist Church, where he has helped to  
10 provide members with myriad opportunities for spiritual growth,  
11 fellowship, and community outreach; and

12           WHEREAS, In all his endeavors, Pastor Jones has enjoyed the  
13 support of his wife, Barbara, who has served by his side throughout  
14 his ministry; and

15           WHEREAS, This inspiring clergyman has led Calvary Baptist  
16 Church with conviction and compassion, and he has earned the  
17 lasting respect and admiration of his congregants as well as  
18 members of the greater community; now, therefore, be it

19           RESOLVED, That Pastor Richard Jones be commended for his  
20 outstanding quarter-century tenure with Calvary Baptist Church and  
21 that he be extended sincere best wishes for continued success with  
22 his important work; and, be it further

23           RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be  
24 prepared for Pastor Jones as an expression of high regard by the

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1 Texas House of Representatives.