SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 164

WHEREAS, The Senate of the State of Texas is pleased to recognize Word of Grace Missionary Baptist Church of Houston on the occasion of its 30th anniversary, which is being celebrated on February 17, 2013; and

WHEREAS, Word of Grace Missionary Baptist Church has its roots in the congregation of Harmony Missionary Baptist Church of Houston; founded on February 15, 1983, it emerged as a mission church, offering a specific focus on the expository style of preaching and Bible studies; and

WHEREAS, Under the leadership of Senior Pastor Artis Lovelady III and Assistant Pastor James O'Neal, the church's devoted congregation has supported many charitable endeavors; it provides funding for both local and overseas missions, including assistance for homeless persons in Houston and school supplies for children in Namibia; and

WHEREAS, The commemoration of the 30th anniversary of Word of Grace Missionary Baptist Church reflects its congregation's enduring commitment to the Houston community and to the world beyond; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 83rd Legislature, hereby extend best wishes to the church's clergy and members; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution be prepared for Word of Grace Missionary Baptist Church as an expression of esteem from the Texas Senate.

Ellis

President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on February 11, 2013.

Secretary of the Senate

Member, Texas Senate