## SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 596

WHEREAS, The Senate of the State of Texas is pleased to recognize Bishop James C. Roland, who is celebrating 32 years of service in the ministry on April 21, 2013; and

WHEREAS, Bishop Roland is pastor of Shekinah Christian Fellowship Center, which he founded in 1996 as New Faith Christian Fellowship Center; and

WHEREAS, With Bishop Roland's guidance, the church has continued to expand and grow; its congregation has supported the minister in his efforts to better serve and enlighten the community of Houston; and

WHEREAS, Among his past accomplishments are the organization of a citywide youth development program and the establishment of a pastoral council on family abuse; most recently, he conducted a missionary trip to the African countries of Togo, Ghana, and Benin; and

WHEREAS, Over the last 32 years, this dedicated leader has ministered tirelessly to the spiritual and temporal needs of innumerable Christians; inspirational and dedicated to helping others, this man of faith has devoted his time and energy unselfishly to the members of his church; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 83rd Legislature, hereby commend Bishop James C. Roland on his 32 years of service to the ministry; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution be prepared for Bishop Roland as an expression of esteem from the Texas Senate.

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President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on April 4, 2013.

Secretary of the Senate

Member, Texas Senate