

By: Miles

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R E S O L U T I O N

1           WHEREAS, The Reverend Dr. Leonard L. Favorite Sr., senior  
2 pastor at Outreach Missionary Baptist Church in Houston, celebrated  
3 his 60th birthday as well as four decades in the ministry in October  
4 2014; and

5           WHEREAS, A native of Vacherie, Louisiana, Dr. Favorite  
6 graduated from St. James High School and went on to earn a  
7 bachelor's degree from Calvary Theological Seminary; he received  
8 his master's degree and his doctorate from Cornerstone University,  
9 and he pursued biblical studies at Louisiana Baptist College, New  
10 Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary, and Trinity Theological  
11 Seminary; and

12           WHEREAS, After shepherding a number of congregations in  
13 Georgia and Louisiana, Dr. Favorite accepted the call to serve as  
14 pastor of Outreach Missionary Baptist in 2000; since that time, he  
15 has played a vital role in strengthening the ministries of the  
16 church and in guiding its efforts in the surrounding communities of  
17 Sunnyside and South Park; and

18           WHEREAS, Along with providing valued spiritual guidance to  
19 his community of faith, Dr. Favorite serves as an instructor for  
20 the National Baptist Convention, USA, Inc., and the Congress of  
21 Christian Education, as director of Spiritual Care in the National  
22 Baptist Convention Office of Disaster Management, and as a member  
23 of the Spiritual Care Response Team for the American Red Cross; he  
24 is a member of the American Association of Pastoral Counselors and

1 the African American Association of Pastoral Counselors, and he has  
2 shared his wisdom by authoring two books, *The Wonderful Counselor*  
3 and *Solutions for the Soul*; and

4 WHEREAS, Dr. Favorite enjoys the love and support of his  
5 wife, Cheryl, in all of his endeavors, and he is the proud father of  
6 four children, Leonard, J. Daniel, Elisabeth, and Quanitta; and

7 WHEREAS, For 40 years, Dr. Leonard L. Favorite Sr. has  
8 provided inspiration, guidance, and solace to countless  
9 individuals through his ministry, and it is indeed a privilege to  
10 join in celebrating these important personal and career milestones;  
11 now, therefore, be it

12 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 84th Texas  
13 Legislature hereby congratulate the Reverend Dr. Leonard L.  
14 Favorite Sr. on his 60th birthday and his 40th anniversary in the  
15 ministry and extend to him sincere best wishes for continued  
16 success and happiness; and, be it further

17 RESOLVED, That a copy of this resolution be prepared for  
18 Dr. Favorite as an expression of high regard by the Texas House of  
19 Representatives.