

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 305

WHEREAS, The Senate of the State of Texas is pleased to recognize the Berean Seventh-Day Adventist Church on the grand occasion of its mortgage burning celebration, which is taking place March 14, 2015; and

WHEREAS, The Berean Seventh-Day Adventist Church was the first black Seventh-Day Adventist Church established in Houston, and it has been serving the Houston area for more than 75 years; and

WHEREAS, Throughout its history, the church has ministered faithfully to the spiritual and temporal needs of countless individuals; and

WHEREAS, Under the guidance and wise stewardship of its pastors and the leadership of its current pastor, Clarence Williams III, the church has continued to grow and to play a vital role in the life of the community; and

WHEREAS, The Berean Seventh-Day Adventist Church has become an invaluable source of strength for its members during times of hardship and bereavement and a place of fellowship during times of abundance and celebration; and

WHEREAS, The Berean Houston Mortgage Burning Celebration is an opportunity to reflect on the church's rich history and on the ministries it has established to the benefit of the community; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 84th Legislature, hereby extend best wishes to the clergy and members of the Berean Seventh-Day Adventist Church on the joyous occasion of their mortgage burning celebration; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution be prepared in honor of this occasion.

Ellis

President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on March 3, 2015.

Secretary of the Senate

Member, Texas Senate