SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 583

WHEREAS, The Senate of the State of Texas is pleased to recognize Pastor Kenneth Ray Levingston for his exemplary leadership in the Houston community; and

WHEREAS, Kenneth Levingston has served as pastor of Jones Memorial United Methodist Church since 2008; under his guidance, the church has continued to grow and to play a vital role in the life of the community; and

WHEREAS, Pastor Levingston earned a master of divinity degree from the Perkins School of Theology at Southern Methodist University and served at several churches throughout the Houston area before joining Jones Memorial United Methodist Church; he is noted for his ability to communicate with people from all backgrounds, from rural to suburban to urban and multicultural; and

WHEREAS, He has been active in the community through his work in creating an after-school mentoring program, his volunteer efforts at Frost Elementary School, and his service on the board of Houston Methodist Hospital and the Texas Annual Conference Board of Ordained Ministry; and

WHEREAS, Inspirational and dedicated to helping others, this beloved pastor has had a profound impact on the lives of his church members and on the community at large; now, therefore, be it RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 84th

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 84th Legislature, hereby commend Pastor Kenneth Ray Levingston on his exceptional service to Jones Memorial United Methodist Church and his community and extend to him best wishes for continued success in all his endeavors; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution be prepared for him as an expression of high regard 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 20, 2015.

Secretary of the Senate

Member, Texas Senate