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RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, The members of New Mount Pleasant Baptist Church in 2 San Antonio are joining together on April 1, 2017, to celebrate the 3 one-year pastoral anniversary of Joel C. Allen; and

WHEREAS, The first New Mount Pleasant Baptist Church pastor to be born and raised in that congregation, Pastor Allen assumed the pulpit after the death of his father, Pastor J. Carlton Allen, who had led the church for nearly five decades; and

8 WHEREAS, Over the last year, Pastor Joel Allen has 9 demonstrated exceptional compassion and wisdom in his spiritual 10 guidance, and he has remained deeply devoted to serving the members 11 of New Mount Pleasant; and

12 WHEREAS, In all his endeavors, Pastor Allen enjoys the love 13 and support of his wife, Jacqueline; and

14 WHEREAS, Success in leading a church requires a tremendous 15 commitment of time, an ability to inspire congregants through words 16 and deeds, and an unwavering belief in the importance of faith, and 17 Pastor Joel Allen truly exemplifies the highest standards of his 18 vocation; now, therefore, be it

19 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 85th Texas 20 Legislature hereby honor Joel C. Allen for his outstanding first 21 year as pastor of New Mount Pleasant Baptist Church and extend to 22 him sincere best wishes for continued success with his important 23 work; and, be it further

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RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be

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prepared for Pastor Allen as an expression of high regard by the
Texas House of Representatives.