By: Davis of Dallas

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## RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, Gaylon Clark, pastor of Greater Mount Zion Baptist
Church in Austin, is serving as Pastor of the Day for the Texas
House of Representatives on May 23, 2017; and

WHEREAS, Pastor Clark earned a bachelor's degree in biblical studies from Dallas Baptist University in 1989, and he went on to receive a master's degree in theology, with an emphasis in pastoral ministries, from Dallas Theological Seminary in 1996; and

WHEREAS, For the past 16 years, this respected clergyman has 8 9 served as the lead pastor of Greater Mount Zion Baptist Church, and under his guidance, the congregation has grown to include more than 10 11 3,000 members; during his outstanding tenure, the church has 12 launched a small-group ministry, adopted a number of social justice causes, taken part in building a medical clinic in Kenya, and 13 14 expanded to include a new worship center, which was completed in November 2016; and 15

16 WHEREAS, In all of his endeavors, Pastor Clark has been 17 blessed with the love and support of his wife of nearly three 18 decades, Kathy, and he is the proud father of a son, Michael; and

WHEREAS, Since first entering the ministry, Pastor Gaylon Clark has inspired countless Texans with his message of grace and goodwill, and it is a pleasure to welcome him to this chamber; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 85th Texas
Legislature hereby honor Gaylon Clark for his service as Pastor of

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1 the Day and extend to him sincere best wishes for the future; and, 2 be it further

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3 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be 4 prepared for Pastor Clark as an expression of high regard by the 5 Texas House of Representatives.