By: Davis of Dallas H.R. No. 707

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, The Reverend Dr. Ouida F. Lee, senior pastor of the

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2 Church of the Disciple in DeSoto, is serving as Chaplain of the Day for the Texas House of Representatives on March 4, 2019; and 3 WHEREAS, A community-focused leader, Dr. Lee has guided her 4 5 congregation in launching many worthwhile initiatives; the church has sponsored a summer enrichment program to prepare students for 6 state testing, and it coordinates with the Methodist Health System 7 and business leaders to offer an annual community health fair and 8 back-to-school festival; in addition, the church works with the 9 DeSoto Police Department to raise awareness of domestic violence 10 11 through community workshops; and 12 WHEREAS, Dr. Lee is a coach for the Rio Texas Conference of 13 the United Methodist Church, and she served as coach for the General 14 Board of Discipleship's Strengthening the Black Church for the 21st Century program; for five years, she was president of the Black 15 16 Clergy Women of the United Methodist Church, and she consulted on the formation of the African Clergy Women; moreover, she has 17 preached at numerous conferences and revivals around the world; and 18 WHEREAS, Among her numerous church and civic leadership 19 roles, Dr. Lee has served as vice president of communications for 20 21 the African American Pastors Coalition and as a member of the advisory committee to the DeSoto Independent School District 22 23 superintendent; she holds a bachelor's degree in business

management from Dallas Baptist University and both a master of

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- 1 divinity degree and a doctor of ministry degree from Southern
- 2 Methodist University's Perkins School of Theology; and
- 3 WHEREAS, Dr. Lee exemplifies the highest standards of her
- 4 vocation, and she has inspired countless Texans with her message of
- 5 faith and goodwill; now, therefore, be it
- 6 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 86th Texas
- 7 Legislature hereby honor the Reverend Dr. Ouida Lee for her service
- 8 as Chaplain of the Day and extend to her sincere best wishes for the
- 9 future; and, be it further
- 10 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
- 11 prepared for Dr. Lee as an expression of high regard by the Texas
- 12 House of Representatives.