**A** **SENATE RESOLUTION**

TO HONOR DR. CHARLES H. DAVIS, PASTOR OF TABERNACLE BAPTIST CHURCH IN GREENVILLE, ON THE OCCASION OF HIS SEVENTH ANNIVERSARY OF GOSPEL MINISTRY AT TABERNACLE BAPTIST AND TO WISH HIM GOD’S RICHEST BLESSINGS AS HE CONTINUES TO SERVE THE LORD.

Whereas, it is with great pleasure that the South Carolina Senate honors those individuals who give tirelessly of themselves to succor the souls of men; and

Whereas, Dr. Charles H. Davis of Tabernacle Baptist Church in Greenville stands among their number as an outstanding minister of the Gospel, one much admired by colleagues, congregation, and area residents at large; and

Whereas, the son of Calvin James Davis and Victoria Gregg Davis, Sumter County native Charles H. Davis came from humble beginnings. As a child, he moved to Jacksonville, Florida, where he received his early education before moving back to South Carolina; and

Whereas, in 1964, Dr. Davis received the Lord Jesus Christ as his personal Savior on the very day his mother passed away. After his mother’s passing, he was raised by his grandmother and grandfather; and

Whereas, in preparation for a long and fruitful ministry, Charles H. Davis graduated from Morris College in Sumter, where he received his bachelor’s degree in divinity. Further studies brought him an accounting certificate from LeSalle University Extension in Los Angeles, California, a second bachelor’s degree from Morris College, a master of divinity and doctor of theology from Slidell Baptist Seminary in Louisiana, and an honorary doctor of laws from Morris College. He also graduated from the police academy in Columbia; and

Whereas, having previously served several other congregations, Dr. Davis came to Tabernacle Baptist Church as its tenth minister. He has served the Wateree Baptist Association (lower division) as executive board member, clerk, vice‑chairman, chairman, vice‑moderator, and moderator; and

Whereas, Dr. Davis believes strongly in active community involvement and demonstrates that conviction through participation in various civic and community organizations. His numerous activities include service as a two‑term trustee on the Sumter School District 17 Board and as an instructor for the South Carolina Congress of Christian Education and other institutions. His diverse skills have placed him in such positions as manager of Golden Gate Supermarket and first full‑time black salesman of Brody’s Department Store. He is a Master Mason, Red Hill Lodge #144, and a notary public for the State of South Carolina; and

Whereas, he has not gone unappreciated. The Sumter City Council presented Dr. Davis with the Key to the City, and he also has received the Benedict College Contribution Award, Wateree Baptist Association Leadership Appreciation Award, Morris College Presidential Citation Award, and many other honors; and

Whereas, the Senate, cognizant of his many years of spiritual nourishment of the people of South Carolina, wishes to express its grateful thanks to Dr. Charles H. Davis and wish him God’s best as he continues to run the race the Lord has set before him. Now, therefore,

Be it resolved by the Senate:

That the members of the South Carolina Senate, by this resolution, honor Dr. Charles H. Davis, pastor of Tabernacle Baptist Church in Greenville, on the occasion of his seventh anniversary of Gospel ministry at Tabernacle Baptist and wish him God’s richest blessings as he continues to serve the Lord.

Be it further resolved that a copy of this resolution be provided to Dr. Charles H. Davis.

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