**A** **HOUSE RESOLUTION**

TO CONGRATULATE AND HONOR BISHOP HERBERT C. CRUMP, JR., SENIOR PASTOR AND FOUNDER OF FREEDOM TEMPLE MINISTRIES, INC., ON HIS IMMINENT ENTHRONEMENT AS SENIOR PRELATE OF MT. CALVARY HOLY CHURCH OF AMERICA, INC., AND TO WISH HIM GOD’S BEST AS HE CONTINUES TO SERVE THE LORD.

Whereas, it is entirely appropriate to celebrate those worthy individuals who give tirelessly of themselves to nourish the souls of men. Bishop Herbert C. Crump, Jr., senior pastor and founder of Freedom Temple Ministries, Inc., is such a man, one much admired by colleagues, congregation, and the community at large; and

Whereas, on August 19, 2021, at the 92nd International Holy Convocation of the Mt. Calvary Holy Church of America, Inc., to be held in Washington, D.C., Bishop Crump will be formally elevated and consecrated as the organization’s new senior prelate; and

Whereas, in addition to his duties as senior pastor of Freedom Temple Ministries, Inc., a multicultural, spirit‑filled church in Rock Hill, Bishop Crump serves as 2nd vice bishop of the Mount Calvary Holy Church of America. He also serves as jurisdictional bishop for South Carolina and Louisiana. Since the 2000 inception of Freedom Temple Ministries with thirty‑eight members, thousands have been added to the congregation, and, more importantly, to the kingdom of God through the baptism of the Holy Spirit; and

Whereas, on Sunday, January 11, 2004, fire totally destroyed the physical home of Freedom Temple but not the spiritual heart of its pastor and congregation. Just eleven months later, God empowered Bishop Crump to lead Freedom Temple into purchasing what is known today as the Freedom Center. This multipurpose facility consists of the historic Hemphill Auditorium and Family Life Center. In addition, the Freedom Center hosts the Freedom Counseling Center, Freedom Bookstore, and Freedom Café; and

Whereas, currently president of Freedom Montessori School, Bishop Crump is also past president of the NAACP’s Rock Hill branch and serves as a York County Department of Juvenile Justice auxiliary probation officer, a York County Minority Scholarship Foundation Committee member, and an Old Town Rock Hill Association member. Further, he became the first African American member of Kiwanis Club International’s Rock Hill chapter. He is also part of Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Inc.; and

Whereas, Bishop Crump has traveled nationally and internationally and has received countless awards, including the Martin Luther King, Jr., Leadership Award, NAACP Southeastern Region Benjamin L. Hooks Religious Leaders Award, and the prestigious Laney Award. He has received a certificate in nonprofit business management from the Winthrop University School of Business, an associate degree in religious studies from Clinton Junior College, a bachelor’s degree with a concentration in religion and history from Livingstone College, and a master’s degree in political and civic engagement from Winthrop University; and

Whereas, his life demonstrates God’s ability to transform a high school dropout, G.E.D. recipient, and former military inmate into a man who proclaims to the world that he whom the Son sets free is free indeed; and

Whereas, Bishop Crump considers it one of the greatest triumphs of his life that he was able to persuade Dawn Capers‑Crump to become his bride. The Crumps are the proud parents of Joshua Crump and Jenesis Crump. Now, therefore,

Be it resolved by the House of Representatives:

That the members of the South Carolina House of Representatives, by this resolution, congratulate and honor Bishop Herbert C. Crump, Jr., senior pastor and founder of Freedom Temple Ministries, Inc., on his imminent enthronement as senior prelate of Mt. Calvary Holy Church of America, Inc., and wish him God’s best as he continues to serve the Lord.

Be it further resolved that a copy of this resolution be presented to Bishop Herbert C. Crump, Jr.

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