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A concurrent RESOLUTION

TO RECOGNIZE AND HONOR Reverend James A. Jamison, assistant pastor of Brookland Baptist Church, UPON THE OCCASION OF HIS RETIREMENT AFTER YEARS OF EXEMPLARY ministry and service, AND TO WISH HIM CONTINUED SUCCESS AND HAPPINESS IN ALL HIS FUTURE ENDEAVORS.

Whereas, the members of the South Carolina General Assembly have learned that Reverend James A. Jamison will begin a well-deserved retirement after years as a devoted pastor, the last of which have been as a dedicated and highly regarded assistant pastor at Brookland Baptist Church; and

Whereas, a native of Cayce, he attended Lexington School District Two public schools and graduated from Brookland-Cayce High School; and

Whereas, prior to his graduation, Reverend Jamison received and accepted the call to the Gospel ministry. He earned a bachelor’s degree in religion and philosophy with the highest average in those disciplines from Benedict College in Columbia in 1982 and was a member of the National Deans List. He was named in the 1987 and 1989 editions of Outstanding Young Men of America; and

Whereas, he earned a Master of Divinity in 1990 from the Interdenominational Theological Center in Atlanta, Georgia, and completed one certified year of residency in clinical pastoral education at the Columbia Area Academy in 1991. He earned a Master of Sacred Theology from Lenoir-Rhyne University in Columbia in 2014 and a Doctor of Ministry from Garrett-Evangelical Theological Seminary in Evanston, Illinois, in 2019, where he was awarded the Styberg Preaching award for the best dissertation; and

Whereas, Reverend Jamison served as the pastor of Oak Grove Baptist Church of Forest City, North Carolina; Hall Hill Baptist Church of Pelion; and New Hope Baptist Church of Crawfordville, Georgia; and currently as assistant pastor at the Brookland Baptist Church in West Columbia; and

Whereas, in 1989, he was invited to conduct research in Rome, Italy, and in the African countries of Egypt, Sudan, Ethiopia, and Kenya. In 1994, he served as preacher, teacher, and group leader in the Kenya Partnership. In 2007, he went to Liberia, West Africa, on a preaching and mission trip; and

Whereas, Reverend Jamison serves on the faculty of the State Congress of Christian Education and was the director of the minister’s division. He has served the Gethsemane Congress of Christian Education in several capacities, as dean of the Gold Hill Association in Forest City, North Carolina, and as an instructor for the Southern Region of the Progressive National Baptist Convention; and

Whereas, he served as an instructor of religion at his alma mater, Benedict College, from 1998 to 2000 and as an instructor of religion at Morris College in Sumter from 2001-2020, where he was selected for Who’s Who Among America’s Teachers in 2003 to 2004. He taught at Claflin University from 2017 to 2018 and has served as a peer-group facilitator for the Styberg Preaching Institute since 2017; and

Whereas, Reverend Jamison plans to spend many happy hours of retirement with his beloved wife, the former Marilyn Garvin; and

Whereas, grateful for his years of outstanding ministry to his church and his God, the South Carolina General Assembly takes great pleasure in extending best wishes to James Jamison as he transitions to a richly deserved retirement and the unhurried pace of the days ahead, and the members wish him many years of enjoyment in his well-earned retirement. Now, therefore,

Be it resolved by the Senate, the House of Representatives concurring:

That the members of the South Carolina General Assembly, by this resolution, recognize and honor Reverend James A. Jamison, assistant pastor of Brookland Baptist Church, upon the occasion of his retirement after years of exemplary ministry and service, and wish him continued success and happiness in all his future endeavors.

Be it further resolved that the copy of this resolution be presented to Reverend James A. Jamison.

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