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8 COMMENDING PASTOR ELLA K. JOHNSON FOR DEDICATED
9 SERVICE.

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11 WHEREAS, it is a great pleasure to honor Pastor Ella
12 K. Johnson for her many years of dedicated service; and

13 WHEREAS, born in Henry County, Alabama, she is the
14 daughter of the late J.D. Kinsey and Alice Kinsey, the fifth
15 of sixth children; she was reared by a praying mother and
16 learned to trust in God; and

17 WHEREAS, upon completing high school, she entered
18 the workforce for a few years before moving to San Francisco,
19 California, where she attended the National Education Business
20 College; and

21 WHEREAS, after moving back to Alabama, she married
22 James T. Johnson, and their union was blessed with two
23 cherished children, James and Jamella Johnson; and

24 WHEREAS, Pastor Ella K. Johnson had embarked upon a
25 singing ministry at an early age but found herself also
26 delivering mini-sermonettes, utilizing the God-given talents
27 that inspired her to the ordained ministry; and

1 WHEREAS, in 1999, she prayerfully accepted her
2 calling at Oakey Grove Freewill Baptist Church, where she
3 became the first woman to pastor in the Freewill Association;
4 and

5 WHEREAS, she and her devoted husband of 29 years
6 currently pastor "The Promise Land" in Baker Hill, Alabama, a
7 church with the motto: "standing on the promises of God, while
8 being spirit led and spiritually fed"; now therefore,

9 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF
10 THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, That Pastor Ella K. Johnson is
11 hereby most highly honored and commended, and this resolution
12 is offered in admiration and appreciation for her many years
13 of dedicated service, along with best wishes for the future.