

House Resolution 1176

By: Representatives Taylor of the 92nd, Bennett of the 94th, Mitchell of the 88th, Williams of the 168th, and Hugley of the 141st

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Recognizing and commending Bishop Reginald Thomas Jackson; and for other purposes.
- 2 WHEREAS, Bishop Reginald Thomas Jackson has demonstrated his commitment to
3 teaching the Gospel, witnessing Christ through word and deed, and addressing the physical,
4 psychological, intellectual, and spiritual needs of other; and
- 5 WHEREAS, Bishop Jackson is the presiding prelate of the Sixth Episcopal District of the
6 African Methodist Episcopal (A.M.E.) Church which encompasses over 500 churches in the
7 state of Georgia; and
- 8 WHEREAS, over the past decades he has established numerous programs and workshops
9 which have improved the spiritual and educational growth of the church and the surrounding
10 community; and
- 11 WHEREAS, he is the recipient of awards too numerous to list, but among the highlights are
12 being named the Man of the Year in 2000 by *New Jersey Monthly* magazine and being the
13 recipient of the William Ashby Award by the United Way and the Martin Luther King
14 Award by the Newark North Ward Center; and

15 WHEREAS, he is a member of the Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity and a Life Member of the
16 NAACP and has received honorary doctorates from Wilberforce University and Payne
17 Theological Seminary; and

18 WHEREAS, whether the task is preparing a sermon, visiting the sick, counseling the
19 troubled, baptizing a new believer, or acting as a theologian, educator, administrator, or
20 humanitarian, Bishop Jackson has shown the energy, devotion, and commitment truly
21 reflective of divine guidance; and

22 WHEREAS, he is united in love and marriage to Christy Davis Jackson and the proud father
23 of Regina and Seth; and

24 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper to recognize the outstanding accomplishments
25 and dynamic Christian ministry of this devout and pious man.

26 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
27 the members of this body recognize and commend Bishop Reginald Thomas Jackson for his
28 years of dedicated service to the Lord and community and extend best wishes for many more
29 years of successful fellowship and leadership.

30 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
31 and directed to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to
32 Bishop Reginald Thomas Jackson.