

## House Resolution 1292

By: Representatives Hugley of the 136<sup>th</sup>, Buckner of the 137<sup>th</sup>, Smith of the 134<sup>th</sup>, Smyre of the 135<sup>th</sup>, and Smith of the 133<sup>rd</sup>

## A RESOLUTION

- 1 Recognizing and commending Reverend Richard Allen; and for other purposes.
- 2 WHEREAS, Reverend Richard Allen has the great distinction of being honored as a recipient  
3 of the Pastors Ecumenical Award, which is a testament to the spiritual and educational  
4 guidance he provides to the members of his congregation and community; and
- 5 WHEREAS, Reverend Allen has demonstrated his commitment to teaching the Gospel,  
6 witnessing Christ through word and deed, and addressing the physical, psychological,  
7 intellectual, and spiritual needs of others; and
- 8 WHEREAS, Reverend Allen has spent a lifetime answering God's call to be His messenger  
9 to do His will; and his vision and direction have helped Saith John Methodist Episcopal  
10 Church grow in size and influence, uplifting the community like the light of Bethlehem and  
11 serving as a spiritual leader; and
- 12 WHEREAS, over the many years he has spent as a church leader, Reverend Allen has  
13 established numerous outreach programs, which have improved the spiritual and educational  
14 growth of the church and surrounding community; and
- 15 WHEREAS, whether the task is preparing a sermon, visiting the sick, counseling the  
16 troubled, baptizing a new believer, or acting as a theologian, educator, administrator, or  
17 humanitarian, Reverend Allen serves as a shining example of God's righteous path; and
- 18 WHEREAS, the unmatched spiritual assistance offered by Reverend Allen is a source of  
19 strength and direction for persons in all walks of life; and
- 20 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that this enduring example of God's message  
21 of peace and love be recognized and congratulated for his innumerable good works rendered  
22 on behalf of persons in need.

23 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that  
24 the members of this body recognize and commend Reverend Richard Allen on the wonderful  
25 occasion of his being recognized with the Pastors Ecumenical Award and extend best wishes  
26 for many more years of successful fellowship and leadership.

27 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized  
28 and directed to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to  
29 Reverend Richard Allen.