

House Resolution 133

By: Representatives Jackson of the 128th and Bentley of the 139th

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Honoring the life and memory of Pastor Terrace Derrell Pullen; and for other purposes.
- 2 WHEREAS, the State of Georgia mourns the loss of one of its most distinguished citizens
- 3 with the passing of Pastor Terrace Derrell Pullen; and
- 4 WHEREAS, Pastor Pullen transitioned from labor to reward on January 31, 2021; and
- 5 WHEREAS, Pastor Pullen was born on October 5, 1970, in Dublin, Georgia, a beloved son
- 6 of the late Gary Pierce and Mrs. Linda Pullen Greene; and
- 7 WHEREAS, Pastor Pullen graduated from Johnson County High School in 1988; and
- 8 WHEREAS, he continued his studies at Georgia Southern University from 1988 to 1990; and
- 9 WHEREAS, he served in the United States Navy from 1990 to 1992; and
- 10 WHEREAS, on November 30, 2013, he was united in love and marriage to his wife, Melinda
- 11 Ann McLendon Pullen, and was blessed with six children, Torrance Tyrell Pullen, Tecari
- 12 Pullen, Kevin Butler Jr., Kayla Butler, Julius Pullen, and Kalinda Butler, and five

13 grandchildren, Tyonna Pullen, Torrin Pullen, Tyler Pullen, Torrance Pullen Jr., and Tahlor
14 Pullen; and

15 WHEREAS, he attended and graduated from Anderson Theological Seminary from 2016 to
16 2020; and

17 WHEREAS, a man of deep and abiding faith who witnessed Christ through word and deed,
18 Pastor Pullen faithfully served as pastor of Harrison Springs Baptist Church in Harrison,
19 Georgia, for six years from January 1, 2015, until his passing; and

20 WHEREAS, his entrepreneurial spirit also guided him into becoming a certified OSHA
21 trainer and founder of TDP Safety Services; and

22 WHEREAS, he diligently and conscientiously devoted innumerable hours of his time,
23 talents, and energy toward the betterment of his community and state, as evidenced by his
24 superlative service with For JoCo, WeCAN, the Johnson County football and basketball
25 teams, the Johnson County BETA team, and numerous other community organizations and
26 committees; and

27 WHEREAS, through his works, Pastor Pullen held a consistent presence in the community
28 that inspired faith, courage, forgiveness, love, justice, and mercy in so many youth and adults
29 alike; and

30 WHEREAS, Pastor Pullen gave inspiration to many through his high ideals, morals, and deep
31 concern for his fellow citizens, and the devotion, patience, and understanding he
32 demonstrated to his family and friends were admired by others; and

33 WHEREAS, he was a person of magnanimous strengths with an unimpeachable reputation
34 for integrity, intelligence, fairness, and kindness, and by the example he made of his life, he
35 made this world a better place in which to live; and

36 WHEREAS, a compassionate and generous man, Pastor Pullen will long be remembered for
37 his love and support of family, friends, and community and will be deeply missed by all who
38 had the great fortune of knowing him.

39 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
40 the members of this body join in honoring the life and memory of Pastor Terrace Derrell
41 Pullen and express their deepest and most sincere regret at his passing.

42 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
43 and directed to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to the
44 family of Pastor Terrace Derrell Pullen.