

House Resolution 1653

By: Representatives Hugley of the 136th and Smyre of the 135th

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Recognizing and commending Reverend Dr. Curtis Crocker, Jr.; and for other purposes.
- 2 WHEREAS, Reverend Dr. Curtis Crocker, Jr., has demonstrated his commitment to teaching
3 the Gospel, witnessing Christ through word and deed, and addressing the physical,
4 psychological, intellectual, and spiritual needs of others; and
- 5 WHEREAS, Dr. Crocker serves as the staff chaplain for the DeKalb County Sheriff's Office
6 where he manages the faith based community of chaplains and supports the spiritual
7 awareness of ex-offenders who struggle with codependency and low self-esteem issues; and
- 8 WHEREAS, Dr. Crocker has spent a lifetime answering God's call to be His messenger to
9 do His will, devoting himself to those in need of a second chance and serving in many
10 leadership roles within his church and the communities of Columbus and metro Atlanta; and
- 11 WHEREAS, since 2012, his vision and direction as pastor have helped Metropolitan Baptist
12 Church grow in size and influence, uplifting the community like the light of Bethlehem and
13 serving as a spiritual leader and place for fellowship; and
- 14 WHEREAS, over the past few years leading Metropolitan Baptist Church, Reverend Dr.
15 Curtis Crocker, Jr., has established numerous programs and workshops which have improved
16 the spiritual and educational growth of the church and the surrounding community; and
- 17 WHEREAS, whether the task is preparing a sermon, visiting the sick, counseling the
18 troubled, baptizing a new believer, or acting as a theologian, educator, administrator, or
19 humanitarian, Dr. Crocker serves as a shining example of God's righteous path; and
- 20 WHEREAS, the unmatched spiritual assistance offered by Dr. Crocker is a source of strength
21 and direction for persons in all walks of life.

22 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
23 the members of this body recognize and commend Reverend Dr. Curtis Crocker, Jr., for his
24 innumerable good works rendered on behalf of persons in need and extend best wishes for
25 many more years of successful fellowship and leadership.

26 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
27 and directed to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to
28 Reverend Dr. Curtis Crocker, Jr.