

House Resolution 1685

By: Representatives Smith of the 70th, Stover of the 71st, Epps of the 132nd, and Ramsey of the 72nd

A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing and commending Pastor Harry H. Barrow on the occasion of his 30th pastoral
2 anniversary; and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, Pastor Harry H. Barrow, the senior pastor of Newnan Presbyterian Church, was
4 born on January 8, 1950, at Johnson Air Force Base in Japan; and

5 WHEREAS, he received a Bachelor of Science degree in 1971 from Louisiana State
6 University, a Master of Divinity degree in 1974 from Columbia Theological Seminary, and
7 a Doctor of Ministry degree in 1981 from Louisville Presbyterian Theological Seminary; and

8 WHEREAS, upon graduation from Columbia Theological Seminary, Pastor Barrow served
9 as associate pastor of the Raleigh Presbyterian Church in Memphis, Tennessee, from
10 1974-1977 and as the director of admissions of Columbia Theological Seminary from
11 1977-1984; and

12 WHEREAS, since 1984, Pastor Barrow has served as pastor of Newnan Presbyterian Church;
13 and

14 WHEREAS, he has been involved with numerous boards and committees in Newnan and in
15 the Presbytery of Greater Atlanta, where he has served as moderator; currently, he serves on
16 the Board of the Coweta Samaritan Medical Clinic for the working poor; and

17 WHEREAS, recently, Pastor Barrow was selected as one of the Alumni of the Year of
18 Columbia Theological Seminary and was named to the Hall of Fame of his high school,
19 University High School in Baton Rouge; and

20 WHEREAS, Pastor Barrow has demonstrated his commitment to teaching the Gospel,
21 witnessing Christ through word and deed, and addressing the physical, psychological,
22 intellectual, and spiritual needs of others; and

23 WHEREAS, he is united in love and marriage to Madeline, a writer-editor for a public health
24 consulting firm, and is blessed with two remarkable children, Leland and Anne, and two
25 grandchildren, Hagan and Caroline; and

26 WHEREAS, over the past three decades leading Newnan Presbyterian Church, Pastor
27 Barrow has established numerous programs and workshops which have improved the
28 spiritual and educational growth of the church and the surrounding community; and

29 WHEREAS, whether the task is preparing a sermon, visiting the sick, counseling the
30 troubled, baptizing a new believer, or acting as a theologian, educator, administrator, or
31 humanitarian, Pastor Barrow serves as a shining example of God's righteous path; and

32 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that this enduring example of God's message
33 of peace and love be recognized and congratulated for his innumerable good works rendered
34 on behalf of persons in need.

35 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
36 the members of this body congratulate Pastor Harry H. Barrow on the wonderful occasion
37 of his 30th pastoral anniversary and extend best wishes for many more years of successful
38 fellowship and leadership.

39 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
40 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Pastor Harry H. Barrow.