House Resolution 371

By: Representatives Holly of the 116<sup>th</sup>, Bruce of the 61<sup>st</sup>, McClain of the 109<sup>th</sup>, Williams of the 168<sup>th</sup>, Willis of the 55<sup>th</sup>, and others

## A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing and commending Reverend Dr. Albert Paul Brinson; and for other purposes.

WHEREAS, Reverend Dr. Albert Paul Brinson has demonstrated his commitment to
teaching the Gospel, witnessing Christ through word and deed, and addressing the physical,
psychological, intellectual, and spiritual needs of others; and

5 WHEREAS, he was licensed to Christian ministry in 1963 by Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. in
6 his home church, Ebenezer Baptist Church, and ordained in 1965 as an American Baptist
7 minister by Dr. Martin Luther King Sr. and Jr.; and

8 WHEREAS, during his time as a pastor, he served for 11 years at Antioch Baptist Church
9 in Corona, New York, and for nine years at Bank Street Memorial Baptist Church in Norfolk,
10 Virginia; and

WHEREAS, he has traveled across the United States as a fund-raiser and bridge builder among the multi-ethnic American Baptist Family, including his service as associate general secretary for the World Mission Support Office of American Baptist Churches USA; and WHEREAS, Reverend Dr. Albert Paul Brinson has received numerous honors and awards
as a speaker and living source on the life and ministry of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr., and his
most notable honors include tributes from the City of Atlanta, Georgia, and Clark Atlanta
University; 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, Reverend Dr. Albert Paul Brinson has shown the energy, devotion, and 21 commitment truly reflective of divine guidance; and

WHEREAS, the unmatched spiritual assistance offered by Reverend Dr. Albert Paul Brinsonis a source of strength and direction for persons in all walks of life; and

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

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
the members of this body recognize and commend Reverend Dr. Albert Paul Brinson for his
dedicated, unselfish, and gracious service on behalf of his fellow citizens and extend best
wishes for future health and happiness.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
and directed to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to
Reverend Dr. Albert Paul Brinson.