

## House Resolution 863

By: Representatives Reese of the 140<sup>th</sup>, Hugley of the 141<sup>st</sup>, Smith of the 139<sup>th</sup>, and Buckner of the 137<sup>th</sup>

## A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing and commending Reverend Dr. David L. Stallion Sr. on the occasion of his  
2 eighth pastoral anniversary at Mt. Pilgrim Baptist Church; and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, Reverend Dr. David L. Stallion Sr. has demonstrated his commitment to  
4 teaching the Gospel, witnessing Christ through word and deed, and addressing the physical,  
5 psychological, intellectual, and spiritual needs of others; and

6 WHEREAS, Reverend Dr. Stallion was called by the Lord eight years ago to lead the  
7 congregation of Mt. Pilgrim Baptist Church; and

8 WHEREAS, his vision and direction have helped Mt. Pilgrim Baptist Church grow in size  
9 and influence, uplifting the community like the light of Bethlehem and serving as a spiritual  
10 leader and place for fellowship; and

11 WHEREAS, over the past eight years leading Mt. Pilgrim Baptist Church, Reverend Dr.  
12 Stallion has established numerous programs and workshops that have improved the spiritual  
13 and educational growth of the church and the surrounding community; and

14 WHEREAS, whether the task is preparing a sermon, visiting the sick, counseling the  
15 troubled, baptizing a new believer, or acting as a theologian, educator, administrator, or  
16 humanitarian, Reverend Dr. Stallion serves as a shining example of God's righteous path; and

17 WHEREAS, the unmatched spiritual assistance offered by Reverend Dr. Stallion is a source  
18 of strength and direction for persons in all walks of life; and

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

22 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that  
23 the members of this body recognize and commend Reverend Dr. David L. Stallion Sr. on the  
24 wonderful occasion of his eighth pastoral anniversary at Mt. Pilgrim Baptist Church and  
25 extend best wishes for 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. David L. Stallion Sr.