

Senate Resolution 521

By: Senators Anderson of the 43rd, Butler of the 55th, Davenport of the 44th, Jones of the 10th, Merritt of the 9th and others

A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing and commending Joseph Williams; and for other purposes.

2 WHEREAS, Joseph Williams was born September 12, 1977, to Rev. Jasper Williams, Jr.,
3 and Roberta Williams and attended Woodward Academy and Morehouse College; and

4 WHEREAS, after graduating from Morehouse, he enrolled in the McAfee School of
5 Theology in August of 2000 to obtain his Master of Divinity and later his doctoral degree in
6 Theology and Communication in April, 2009; and

7 WHEREAS, he accepted his call to ministry at the age of 21, preaching his inaugural sermon
8 December 31, 1998; and

9 WHEREAS as the youngest recipient of the Morehouse College National Association
10 Religious Award in 2004, he demonstrated a commitment to excellence from a young age;
11 and

12 WHEREAS, today, he leads Salem Bible Church as the Senior Pastor with passion and
13 purpose, following in the footsteps of his father, Rev. Jasper Williams, Jr., who serves as
14 Pastor Emeritus; and

15 WHEREAS, December 31, 2023, marked 25 years of dedicated ministry, emphasizing his
16 quarter-century of steadfastly delivering God's message.

17 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body
18 recognize and commend Joseph Williams and congratulate him on his 25th pastoral
19 anniversary.

20 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
21 to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to Joseph Williams.