

A RESOLUTION honoring Southern Star Missionary Baptist Church.

WHEREAS, in 1955, the seeds of the Southern Star Missionary Baptist Church were planted. Under the leadership of the Reverend Charles E. Kirby and behind the divine inspiration of the Holy Spirit, a few members met at the Quartet Union Hall on 420 South 7th Street in Louisville, Kentucky, and the modest beginnings of the church were set forth; and

WHEREAS, the congregants would soon move to 723 West Oak Street, where the church was formally organized as the Southern Star Baptist Church on June 3, 1956. More moves would follow, until the church finally settled at 2304 Algonquin Parkway, where it stands today; and

WHEREAS, through many renovations and improvements, the church has continued to be a shining example of Christ's Holy Will and of the indelible power of faith; and

WHEREAS, two pastors and six ministers have served this godly congregation, culminating with Reverend Dr. Barry C. Johnson Sr., the current pastor. Last year, the members of Southern Star Missionary Baptist Church celebrated their 59th anniversary; in rightful acknowledgement of that event, and in commendation of the church's deep and vital history, the members of this honorable body celebrate the Southern Star Missionary Baptist Church;

NOW, THEREFORE,

Be it resolved by the Senate of the General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Kentucky:

➔Section 1. The Senate hereby honors the Southern Star Missionary Baptist Church, grants all its members heartfelt praise as they continue to worship the holy spirit with the humility and grace the church has become known for in Louisville and in this great Commonwealth, and offers all the church leaders best wishes as they continue to steer the church toward a future touched by God's magnificent hands.

➔Section 2. When the Senate adjourns this day, it does so in honor of the Southern Star Missionary Baptist Church.

➔Section 3. The Clerk of the Senate is directed to transmit a copy of this Resolution to Senator Gerald A. Neal for delivery.