

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 1769

By Pody

A RESOLUTION to honor and recognize Bishop Gordon Lee on the occasion of his retirement.

WHEREAS, it is appropriate that the members of this General Assembly should honor those individuals who have answered a divine call to the ministry and have served with dedication, vigor, and enthusiasm to perform God's work for their congregations and communities; and

WHEREAS, one such individual is Bishop Gordon Lee, pastor of the Church of God Worship & Ministry Center, who recently announced his much-deserved retirement; and

WHEREAS, a devout leader of Christ, Mr. Lee has been a pastor for fifty-eight years and has served the Church of God Worship & Ministry Center as pastor for forty-three years; and

WHEREAS, during his distinguished career with the Church of God, he has also served as District Overseer, assisting other churches, and as a member of the Church of God's state council, state youth board, credentialing, and internship programs to help assist and train new ministers; and

WHEREAS, prior to his time in Lebanon, Mr. Lee pastored at five other churches in the State of Tennessee, and he will remain a devoted member of the Church of God Worship & Ministry Center after his retirement; and

WHEREAS, a true shepherd of the flock, Bishop Gordon Lee has an abiding love for the ministry; his many positive contributions to his church, his community, and this State are deeply appreciated, and it is wholly fitting that he be recognized on this special occasion; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED TWELFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

CONCURRING, that we honor and commend Bishop Gordon Lee on the occasion of his retirement, thank him for his meritorious service as pastor of the Church of God Worship & Ministry Center, and extend to him our best wishes for every future success.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy and upon proper request made to the appropriate clerk, the language appearing immediately following the State seal appear without House or Senate designation.