

Senate Resolution 67

By: Senator Cheeks of the 23rd

A RESOLUTION

1 Commending and congratulating Curtis Baptist Church in Augusta, Georgia; and for other
2 purposes.

3 WHEREAS, Curtis Baptist Church in Augusta, Georgia, celebrated the congregation's one
4 hundred and twenty-fifth anniversary on Sunday, January 7, 2001; and

5 WHEREAS, a mission Sunday school begun in 1869 led to the organization of Curtis Baptist
6 Church in 1876; and

7 WHEREAS, Curtis Baptist Church is affiliated with the Southern Baptist Convention and
8 functions as a family of faith believers in Jesus Christ, who seek to reach, teach, evangelize,
9 and disciple by ministering to Augusta, the central Savannah River area, and the world; and

10 WHEREAS, the ministers and members of the congregation have demonstrated a remarkable
11 commitment to do whatever needs to be done to spread the Gospel; and

12 WHEREAS, Curtis Baptist Church has been truly evangelical, planting churches locally and
13 as far away as Mombassa, Kenya and Moscow, Russia; sharing the faith in India, Korea,
14 Indonesia, and Brazil; and serving the needs of orphans and the sick; and

15 WHEREAS, the church's community ministries include the Care Pregnancy Center, the
16 Girls Club of Augusta, the Riverwalk Ministry to Children, and the Richmond County Jail;
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18 WHEREAS, the congregation's ministry for the deaf and hearing impaired began in 1937
19 with a Sunday school class and now includes a Bible study class, interpretation of Sunday
20 services, weekly discipleship classes, visitation, and special worship services and
21 conferences; and

1 WHEREAS, the congregation established the Curtis Baptist School in 1964, and presently
2 helps prepare 478 students for life and eternity, including 85 in day care, 214 in elementary
3 school, and 179 in high school; and

4 WHEREAS, the faith, determination, perseverance, love, prayer, and vision of the ministers
5 and members of Curtis Baptist Church in constant outreach to people of all ages, races, and
6 socioeconomic backgrounds have transformed Curtis Baptist Church into a flagship church
7 for the Southern Baptist Convention.

8 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body
9 congratulate the ministers and members of Curtis Baptist Church on 125 years of service and
10 ministry and commend their willing spirits and untiring efforts.

11 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
12 to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Curtis Baptist Church.