

## House Resolution 1543

By: Representative Anderson of the 116<sup>th</sup>

## A RESOLUTION

1 Honoring Reverend S. T. Thompkins; and for other purposes.

2 WHEREAS, a native of Richmond County who received his early education there, Reverend  
3 S. T. Thompkins has served as pastor of the McCullough Covenant Baptist Church,  
4 Waynesboro, Georgia, since April 23, 1972, and was a member of Gardner Grove Baptist  
5 Church, Augusta, Georgia, where he served faithfully as a Christian and was later ordained  
6 to the ministry; and

7 WHEREAS, his journey through life has led him through the military, professional brick  
8 masonry training, and seminary training, and he has utilized all of these skills as he has led  
9 us for the past 30 years; and

10 WHEREAS, he is a family man married to Mrs. Barbara Thompkins, and she and their  
11 children have always been strong supporters of Reverend Thompkins' work; and

12 WHEREAS, during these 30 years, he has overseen the remodeling of the front of the church,  
13 boring a new well, installing rest rooms, purchasing pulpit furniture and communion tables  
14 and chairs, and installing aluminum siding; has also provided leadership in the installation  
15 of central heat and air and water fountains; and personally constructed walkways around the  
16 church and the fellowship hall, making the church a more accessible, comfortable, and  
17 enjoyable place; and

18 WHEREAS, religiously, he has organized a junior choir, instituted a youth service, ordained  
19 two deacons, restored three members, and baptized numerous new members; and

20 WHEREAS, the uniqueness of Reverend Thompkins' pastorate has been his ability to lead  
21 by practicing the democratic process of leadership and encouraging collaboration. "S. T."  
22 has been strong and tolerant for all these 30 years serving as a glowing commandant.

1 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that  
2 this body honors Reverend S. T. Thompkins for all he has done for his church and his people.

3 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized  
4 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Reverend S. T. Thompkins.