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House Resolution 1573

By: Representative Smith of the 91st

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Recognizing and commending Bishop Douglas C. Hammond of New Life Apostolic Church;
- 2 and for other purposes.
- 3 WHEREAS, on April 5, 2002, Reverend Douglas C. Hammond, a distinguished and devoted
- 4 pastor, will become Bishop of New Life Apostolic Church in Watkinsville, Georgia; and
- 5 WHEREAS, he was born on October 15, 1937, to Rev. and Mrs. O.C. Hammond in
- 6 Whitehall, Georgia, and he moved to Oconee County with his parents on October 15, 1952,
- 7 and has resided in the county since then; and
- 8 WHEREAS, in October 1964, Reverend Hammond was baptized, and one year later he was
- 9 called into the ministry as his lifework, a mission he has eagerly pursued; and
- 10 WHEREAS, in 1971, he led religious meetings in private homes, but soon services were
- being held at 2050 Hog Mountain Road, where the congregation still meets; and
- 12 WHEREAS, Rev. Hammond has been the full-time pastor of New Life Apostolic Church for
- 13 30 years, and his leadership and guidance has blessed this church and greatly expanded its
- membership and the various special programs and service it provides to the community; and
- 15 WHEREAS, the tremendous dedication and commitment this very capable pastor has shown
- 16 to his church and to the Watkinsville community as a whole deserves the highest praise.
- 17 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
- 18 the members of this body recognize the contributions of Reverend Douglas C. Hammond and
- 19 commend him on becoming Bishop of New Life Apostolic Church in Watkinsville.
- 20 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
- 21 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Bishop Hammond.