House Resolution 96

By: Representatives Williams of the 128th, Keen of the 146th, Barnard of the 121st, Post 1, Stephens of the 124th, Post 2, Mosley of the 129th, Post 1, and others

A RESOLUTION

1 Honoring the Reverend James "JC" Shipman on the occasion of his 20th anniversary

2 celebration; and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, Reverend James "JC" Shipman has served as the esteemed pastor of the historic

4 Bolton Street Missionary Baptist Church in Savannah, Georgia, for the past 20 years; and

5 WHEREAS, Reverend Shipman has been an extraordinary spiritual leader and a steadfast

6 source of guidance throughout his distinguished career with this great church; and

7 WHEREAS, he has served his community and the State of Georgia well; and

WHEREAS, a native of Liberty County, Georgia, he is the youngest child of Deacon L. B. 8

9 Shipman and Evangelist Juanita Baker Shipman and the grandson of the noted pastor and

10 civil rights trailblazer Reverend W. C. Shipman; and

11 WHEREAS, he is a graduate of the University of the District of Columbia and the Bryant

12 Theological Seminary and is a retired United States civil servant with more than 32 years of

13 military and civilian service; and

14 WHEREAS, he is the founding President of the Martin Luther King, Jr. Chapter of Blacks in Government, founding President of region four Council of Blacks in Government, a 15

member of the Board of Directors of the Dorchester Improvement Association, President of 16

the Liberty County Branch of the NAACP, subscribing life member of the Ralph Mark 17

18 Gilbert Civil Rights Museum, and mayor of the City of Midway; and

WHEREAS, Reverend Shipman's many achievements will stand as symbols of dignity, 19

20 pride, and honor for generations to come.

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- 1 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
- 2 the members of this body honor the Reverend James "JC" Shipman on the occasion of his
- 3 20th anniversary and express to him their immense gratitude and respect.
- 4 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
- 5 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Reverend James "JC"
- 6 Shipman.