

## House Resolution 1624

By: Representatives Maxwell of the 27<sup>th</sup> and Heath of the 18<sup>th</sup>

## A RESOLUTION

- 1 Commending the Reverend Dr. Bill L. Patrick, Sr.; and for other purposes.
- 2 WHEREAS, the Reverend Dr. Bill L. Patrick, Sr., was born August 28, 1930, and in 1942,  
3 at the age of 12, began preaching his glorious faith to all those who would listen; and
- 4 WHEREAS, he was licensed into the ministry on August 8, 1945, at Bellwood Baptist  
5 Church of Atlanta and was ordained on June 14, 1959, at New Hope Baptist Church of  
6 Atlanta; and
- 7 WHEREAS, this celebrated pastor studied at Emanuel Baptist College of Atlanta, graduating  
8 with a degree in theology, and received his Doctor of Divinity degree from the Messianic  
9 School of Theology; and
- 10 WHEREAS, in 1959 he was a first-time pastor at Ebenezer Baptist Church of Douglas  
11 County; and, in 1962, became the pastor of the Second Baptist Church of Dallas, Georgia;  
12 and
- 13 WHEREAS, he felt his Lord calling him to establish his own ministry and, in heeding this  
14 call, in 1977 established the Tabernacle Baptist Church of Paulding County located in Hiram,  
15 Georgia; a church and congregation he ministers to this day; and
- 16 WHEREAS, he has been a pastor in Paulding County for over 42 years and has served in the  
17 Dallas Volunteer Fire Department and as Chaplain of the Paulding County Correction  
18 System; and
- 19 WHEREAS, he is married to the love of his life, the beautiful Gloria Bernice Patrick, and  
20 together they share a joyous love for their three sons, Billy, Mark, and the late Robert E.  
21 Patrick; seven grandchildren; and five great-grandchildren.

1 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that  
2 the members of this body commend the Reverend Dr. Bill L. Patrick, Sr., on his over 60  
3 years of illustrious service to the ministry and his followers.

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 the Reverend Dr. Bill L.  
6 Patrick, Sr.