

Senate Resolution 372

By: Senators Seay of the 34th, Starr of the 44th, Fort of the 39th and Tate of the 38th

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Recognizing Reverend Matthew Vaughn Johnson, Sr.; and for other purposes.
- 2 WHEREAS, Reverend Matthew Vaughn Johnson, Sr., has been in the ministry for 25 years
3 and has served as a pastor for over 15 years, inspiring faith in others through his ministry and
4 his own personal walk with God; and
- 5 WHEREAS, he attended Morehouse College, where he received his bachelor's degree in
6 1983, and went on to receive a master's degree in Religious Studies and a Ph.D. in
7 Philosophical Theology from the Divinity School at the University of Chicago; and
- 8 WHEREAS, he has held many academic posts and has authored several works out of a
9 sincere desire to share his knowledge and understanding of the beauty and mystery of the
10 Scriptures with others; and
- 11 WHEREAS, he is a member of numerous civic and professional associations and has served
12 as board chair of the Southeast Economic Development (SEEDS), chair of the Community
13 Resource Board, president of the faculty at Livingstone College, and a member of the
14 American Academy of Religion, International Society for Traumatic Stress Studies, Prince
15 Hall Free and Accepted Masons, and Omega Psi Phi Fraternity; and
- 16 WHEREAS, he is a devoted husband to his lovely wife, Arnetta Nicholson, and together they
17 are raising five wonderful children, Muriel; Nile; Selah; Matthew, Jr.; and Danube; and
- 18 WHEREAS, Reverend Matthew Vaughn Johnson, Sr., joined the Christian Fellowship
19 Baptist Church in College Park in a Service of Installation held on Sunday, February 27,
20 2005.

1 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body
2 join in recognizing Reverend Matthew Vaughn Johnson, Sr., and his distinguished career of
3 service and scholarship and extend their sincere best wishes to both him and his family.

4 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
5 to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Reverend Matthew Vaughn Johnson, Sr.