

House Resolution 1167

By: Representative Burns of the 157th

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Commending Pastor Paul Hanson; and for other purposes.
- 2 WHEREAS, for nearly 25 years, Pastor Paul Hanson has been serving his community with
3 the utmost care and devotion; and
- 4 WHEREAS, Pastor Hanson received his Master of Divinity from Luther Theological
5 Seminary, St. Paul, Minnesota, on May 28, 1978, and was ordained by The American
6 Lutheran Church in Sturgeon Bay, Wisconsin, on May 17, 1981; and
- 7 WHEREAS, on June 20, 1992, he accepted a call to serve as pastor of Bethel Lutheran
8 Church, and over his many years of service to this strong faith community, Pastor Hanson
9 has come to be greatly respected and admired for his kindness, compassion, and spiritual
10 leadership; and
- 11 WHEREAS, urged on by his strong Christian convictions, Pastor Hanson has tirelessly
12 sought to help his neighbors in Effingham County and beyond; among the many charitable
13 projects that he has been involved with over the years are his service to the Effingham
14 Family Connection and the United Way, his assisting in the formation of the Food Outreach
15 Co-op of Effingham, and his work to bring more health and human resources to the
16 community; and
- 17 WHEREAS, Pastor Hanson has always taken a strong interest in helping the youth of his
18 community, becoming very involved with his local school system and delivering the
19 invocation at graduation; and
- 20 WHEREAS, Pastor Hanson has been a voting member of Manna House and was
21 instrumental in Bethel Lutheran Church becoming a sponsoring member of the Manna House
22 Ministries; and

1 WHEREAS, above all, Pastor Hanson's friends and neighbors have come to know him as a
2 selfless and caring individual who is always available when help is needed, and his
3 humbleness and generosity are an inspiration to all who seek to serve their fellow man.

4 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
5 the members of this body join in commending Pastor Paul Hanson for his many years of
6 service to his community and thank him for all of his invaluable contributions to Georgia.

7 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
8 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Pastor Paul Hanson.