

House Resolution 1291

By: Representative Bryant of the 160th

A RESOLUTION

1 Commending Pastor Elder Willie Ferrell for his life of dedicated service to his church,
2 community, and fellow citizens; and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, Elder Willie Ferrell is the Pastor of the Royal Church of Christ, Inc., in
4 Savannah, Georgia, and a currently licensed minister; and

5 WHEREAS, while serving in the Armed Forces in 1969, Pastor Ferrell accepted the call to
6 ministry and has acted in faithful service to his calling for 37 years; and

7 WHEREAS, Pastor Ferrell has lived a life dedicated to community and spiritual service,
8 embodying his personal commitment to his fellow man; and

9 WHEREAS, Pastor Ferrell has served as Local Sunday School Superintendent and District
10 Sunday School Superintendent for 12 churches, as the Regional Coordinator of Leadership
11 Conference for 47 churches across the State of Florida, and the State Coordinator of
12 Conventions and the Assistant to the Bishop of the Churches of God in Christ in Florida's
13 Third Jurisdiction; and

14 WHEREAS, Pastor Ferrell has also served his community through numerous volunteer
15 organizations and missions: serving many years as a Volunteer Chaplin for the Chatham
16 County Jail and Savannah police Department, serving as Director on the Project Success
17 Board of Directors since 1995, serving as an active member of the N.A.A.C.P., serving as
18 founder of the Savannah/Chatham After Care Program, serving as director of the Beacons
19 Initiative S.T.B., serving as a Board member to the Silent Witness/Crime Stoppers and the
20 West Savannah Minister for Human Revitalization, and also serving as the Founder and
21 Director of the Savannah/Chatham Ministerial's Council for Responsible Fathers; and

22 WHEREAS, in recognition of his many outstanding achievements, Pastor Ferrell has
23 received numerous awards, including the WTOC Hometown Hero Award and Leadership

1 Savannah award and was also nominated for the Chatham County Volunteer of the Year
2 Award; and

3 WHEREAS, his service and dedication to helping others has brought honor to his family,
4 including wife Margaret Ferrell and his five children, and to his community and this state and
5 it is only fitting and proper that he be recognized by this body.

6 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
7 the members of this body commend Pastor Elder Willie Ferrell for his many achievements
8 and contributions.

9 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House is authorized and directed to
10 transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Pastor Elder Willie Ferrell.