

## House Resolution 1751

By: Representative Everson of the 106<sup>th</sup>

## A RESOLUTION

- 1 Recognizing Reverend Ronald D. Dunnigan; and for other purposes.
- 2 WHEREAS, Reverend Ronald D. Dunningan is a native of Norcross, Georgia and was born  
3 in 1960 to Mr. Rufus B. Dunnigan and the late Mrs. Barbara L. Hood Dunnigan; and
- 4 WHEREAS, he attended public schools in Gwinnett County and went on to West Georgia  
5 College where he earned a Bachelor of Business Administration degree, and in 1982, he  
6 entered the Interdenominational Theological Center at Morehouse School of Religion where  
7 he earned his Master of Divinity in Religious Education; he also attended Andersonville  
8 Theological Seminary where he earned his doctorate in Ministry in 2007; and
- 9 WHEREAS, at an early age, he joined Hopewell Baptist Church in Norcross, Georgia, where  
10 he served as a Sunday school instructor, choir director, and Sunday school superintendent,  
11 and after his ordination in 1982, he served as senior associate pastor; and
- 12 WHEREAS, in 1987, he was called to serve as assistant to the pastor, the late Reverend J.J.  
13 Grogan, at Pleasant Hill Baptist Church in Lawrenceville, Georgia, and shortly thereafter,  
14 he was called to pastor the church; and
- 15 WHEREAS, under his leadership, the church has grown from a rural congregation of 100 to  
16 a suburban congregation of 850, and he has led the church in a successful building program,  
17 developed an intense disciple program and several new ministries, and is working to  
18 implement a creative outreach program to better minister to the community; and
- 19 WHEREAS, he served as transitional pastor in 1983 at Zion Baptist Church in Doraville,  
20 Georgia, and was selected as a member of the National Register's Who's Who in Executives  
21 and Professionals in 2006 and Madison Who's Who in 2007; and

1 WHEREAS, Reverend Dunnigan has served as Minister of Youth for the Hopewell Baptist  
2 Association and was elected first vice moderator, served as moderator of the association  
3 composed of 15 churches in metropolitan Atlanta, and serves as an instructor for  
4 International Seminary of Plymouth, Florida, in the distance learning extension program; and

5 WHEREAS, he has received several awards, including the W.W. Weatherspoon Preaching  
6 Award from the Morehouse School of Religion; the Martin Luther King, Jr., Religious  
7 Leadership Award from the Gwinnett County King Celebration Committee; and the God's  
8 First Award from Ross Promotions.

9 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that  
10 the members of this body join together to recognize Reverend Ronald D. Dunnigan and the  
11 valuable services he has provided to his community and this state.

12 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is hereby  
13 authorized and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Reverend Ronald  
14 D. Dunnigan.