

Senate Resolution 421

By: Senator James of the 35th

### A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing and commending Elizabeth Baptist Church on the opening of its fourth location  
2 in Douglasville, Georgia; and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, the seeds which were sown by the loving and humble efforts of the devoted  
4 original worshipers of Elizabeth Baptist Church have blossomed, establishing a rich tradition  
5 and history; and

6 WHEREAS, Elizabeth Baptist Church has grown under the divine direction of Senior Pastor  
7 Craig L. Oliver, Sr., allowing the Word of God to spread throughout the community; and

8 WHEREAS, Elizabeth Baptist Church recently opened its fourth location in Douglasville,  
9 Georgia, adding to the great spiritual influence provided by its Atlanta, Fairburn, and Smyrna  
10 locations; and

11 WHEREAS, under the leadership of Pastor Oliver, Elizabeth Baptist Church has completed  
12 mission work in over six countries, has a ministry of over 10,000 faithful members, and holds  
13 five services each Sunday; and

14 WHEREAS, Pastor Oliver earned a bachelor's degree from Clark Atlanta University, master's  
15 degrees from Luther Rice Theological Seminary, and is pursuing a doctoral degree from  
16 Gordon Conwell Theological Seminary; and

17 WHEREAS, he is united in love and marriage to First Lady Chi'Ira Oliver and has been  
18 blessed with two beautiful children, Corrie Kené and Craig, Jr.; and

19 WHEREAS, Pastor Oliver and the congregations of Elizabeth Baptist Church have compiled  
20 an unparalleled record of constructive, compassionate, and humanitarian service which is  
21 demonstrated daily through open minds, open hearts, and open doors; and

22 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that this enduring example of God's message  
23 of peace and love be recognized and congratulated for its innumerable good works rendered  
24 on behalf of persons in need.

25 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body  
26 recognize the rich history of Elizabeth Baptist Church, commend Senior Pastor Craig L.  
27 Oliver, Sr., on his years of dedicated service to the Lord and community, and extend  
28 congratulations upon the opening of a fourth location.

29 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed  
30 to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Senior Pastor Craig L. Oliver, Sr.