

House Resolution 1149

By: Representative Holmes of the 125th

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Recognizing and commending Deacon Gus Whitlock; and for other purposes.
- 2 WHEREAS, Deacon Gus Whitlock has demonstrated his commitment to teaching the
3 Gospel, witnessing Christ through word and deed, and addressing the physical,
4 psychological, intellectual, and spiritual needs of others; and
- 5 WHEREAS, Deacon Whitlock has been a deacon of Springfield Missionary Baptist Church
6 since 1948 under the leadership of Reverend K.P. Pyron; and
- 7 WHEREAS, he was united in love and marriage to the late Emma Ruth Whitlock, and they
8 were blessed with seven remarkable children and several adored grandchildren and
9 great-grandchildren; and
- 10 WHEREAS, his work outside the church began at the Farmer's Union Warehouse where he
11 worked for 30 years, and after he left, he went to Hunter Pope Country Club for 22 years
12 until he retired in December, 2002; and
- 13 WHEREAS, the unmatched spiritual assistance offered by Deacon Whitlock is a source of
14 strength and direction for persons in all walks of life and from all economic strata; and
- 15 WHEREAS, he is a person of magnanimous strengths with an unimpeachable reputation for
16 integrity, intelligence, fairness, and kindness; and
- 17 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that this enduring example of God's message
18 of peace and love be recognized and congratulated for his innumerable good works rendered
19 on behalf of persons in need.
- 20 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
21 the members of this body commend Deacon Gus Whitlock on his many years of service to

22 Springfield Missionary Baptist Church and his community and extend their best wishes for
23 many more years of successful fellowship and leadership.

24 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
25 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Deacon Gus Whitlock.