

House Resolution 1937

By: Representative Epps of the 132<sup>nd</sup>

## A RESOLUTION

- 1 Recognizing and commending Mount Prospect Baptist Church; and for other purposes.
- 2 WHEREAS, the seeds which were sown by the loving and humble efforts of the devoted  
3 original worshipers of Mount Prospect Baptist Church have blossomed, establishing a rich  
4 tradition and history; and
- 5 WHEREAS, organized in 1873 by Reverend Jerry Hymons, Reverend C. C. Stokes,  
6 Reverend P. M. Mobley, and Reverend C. C. Holt, Mount Prospect Baptist Church has  
7 grown under the divine direction of numerous pastors over the years, allowing the Word of  
8 God to spread throughout the community; and
- 9 WHEREAS, in 1913, under the leadership of Reverend W. J. Smith, the church was rebuilt,  
10 and many new aesthetics were added, such as pews, pulpit furniture, and the church bell; and
- 11 WHEREAS, Reverend E. W. Willis and Reverend J. H. Jordan, each with 13 years of  
12 service, led numerous remodeling efforts for the church; and
- 13 WHEREAS, in 1991, the beloved Reverend MacArthur Blount began service until his death  
14 in 2013, leading the church to great heights and many improvements; and
- 15 WHEREAS, the congregation of this church has compiled an unparalleled record of  
16 constructive, compassionate, and humanitarian service which it demonstrates daily through  
17 open minds, open hearts, and open doors; and
- 18 WHEREAS, members of Mount Prospect Baptist Church have a sincere desire to serve the  
19 Lord and are wholeheartedly committed to spreading the gospel of Jesus Christ; and

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

23 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that  
24 the members of this body recognize the rich history of Mount Prospect Baptist Church,  
25 commend its 141 years of dedicated service to the Lord and community, and extend their  
26 warmest best wishes for its continued growth and success.

27 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized  
28 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Mount Prospect Baptist  
29 Church.