

House Resolution 1990

By: Representative Beverly of the 143rd

A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing and commending Reverend Derek M. Dumas on the occasion of his 7th pastoral
2 anniversary; and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, Reverend Derek M. Dumas was born on October 16, 1972, to the late Mr.
4 Moses Dumas, Jr., and Dr. Geraldine Floyd Dumas and was educated in the Bibb County
5 Public Schools System; and

6 WHEREAS, he attended Georgia College and State University where he received a Bachelor
7 of Science in Public Administration; he later furthered his education at the Turner School of
8 Theology - Southern Christian University in Montgomery, Alabama, and earned a Master of
9 Science in Christian Ministry; and

10 WHEREAS, prior to entering the ministry, Reverend Dumas served faithfully as a deacon
11 at Greater Lizzieboro Baptist Church in Macon, Georgia, under the leadership of his
12 grandfather, the late Reverend Moses Dumas, Sr.; he traveled nationally with his grandfather
13 and was well-known in Baptist circles as an astute workshop facilitator and Baptist hymn
14 leader; and

15 WHEREAS, on July 17, 2000, he accepted his calling into the ministry; after serving as
16 assistant pastor at Greater Lizzieboro Baptist Church for six years, and after the death of his
17 grandfather, he accepted the call to pastor and has faithfully served God's people by
18 preaching the gospel nationwide; and

19 WHEREAS, as the pastor at Greater Lizzieboro Baptist Church, Reverend Dumas is truly
20 a visionary par excellence; he preaches with power, demonstrating God's anointing that
21 guides him as he navigates through the Word of God; and

22 WHEREAS, he facilitates regular Christian education workshops, retreats, and conferences
23 to spread the gospel on every level, and as a result, the church is experiencing spiritual as
24 well as physical growth and expansion; and

25 WHEREAS, Reverend Dumas is involved in the local community as a member of the
26 General Missionary Baptist Convention of Georgia, the National Baptist Convention USA,
27 and the Lambda Phi Chapter of Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Inc.; and

28 WHEREAS, he is united in love and marriage to the lovely Harriett Lachelle Dumas, and she
29 serves diligently as First Lady, supporting him in his service to God; and

30 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that this enduring example of God's message
31 of peace and love be recognized and congratulated for his innumerable good works.

32 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
33 the members of this body congratulate Reverend Derek M. Dumas on the wonderful occasion
34 of his 7th pastoral anniversary and extend best wishes for many more years of successful
35 fellowship and leadership.

36 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
37 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Reverend Derek M. Dumas.