

House Resolution 380

By: Representative Gilliard of the 162nd

A RESOLUTION

1 Honoring the life and memory of Reverend Alfred Daniel King; and for other purposes.

2 WHEREAS, February's Black History Month often focuses on great leaders such as Dr.
3 Martin Luther King, Jr., and overlooks the unsung quiet pioneers such as his brother,
4 Reverend Alfred Daniel King, who helped transform the environment around him without
5 fanfare or media attention; and

6 WHEREAS, Reverend Alfred Daniel "A.D." King was a staunch believer in the importance
7 of maintaining nonviolence in direct action campaigns and participated in the African
8 American freedom struggle, often appearing beside his famous brother in civil rights
9 demonstrations and sit-ins in Atlanta and Birmingham; and

10 WHEREAS, Reverend A.D. King fought for civil rights and played an active role in the
11 Birmingham Campaign, the Poor People's Campaign, and in other work on behalf of the
12 Southern Christian Leadership Conference; and

13 WHEREAS, a man of deep and abiding faith, Reverend A.D. King assisted his father as
14 pastor at Ebenezer Baptist Church where he later became co-pastor in 1968, after graduating
15 from Morehouse College and pastoring at Mount Vernon First Baptist Church in Newnan
16 and at Zion Baptist Church in Kentucky; and

17 WHEREAS, he was united in love and marriage to his wife, Naomi King, and was blessed
18 with five remarkable children; and

19 WHEREAS, he gave inspiration to many through his high ideals, morals, and deep concern
20 for his fellow citizens, and the devotion, patience, and understanding he demonstrated to his
21 family and friends were admired by others; and

22 WHEREAS, he was a person of magnanimous strengths with an unimpeachable reputation
23 for integrity, intelligence, fairness, and kindness, and by the example he made of his life, he
24 made this world a better place in which to live; and

25 WHEREAS, a compassionate and generous man, Reverend Alfred Daniel "A.D." King
26 continues to be missed by all who had the great fortune of knowing him.

27 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
28 the members of this body join in honoring the life and memory of Reverend Alfred Daniel
29 "A.D." King on the occasion of Black History Month.

30 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
31 and directed to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to the
32 family of Reverend Alfred Daniel "A.D." King.