

House Resolution 1141

By: Representatives Frazier of the 126th, Williams of the 87th, Hugley of the 136th, Williams of the 168th, and Bruce of the 61st

A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing and commending Second Hopeful Missionary Baptist Church on the occasion
2 of its 150th anniversary; and for other purposes.

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

6 WHEREAS, organized in 1867, Second Hopeful Missionary Baptist Church has grown under
7 the divine direction of numerous pastors over the years, initially holding services in a log
8 cabin and over time establishing many programs and workshops and undergoing extensive
9 remodeling to improve the growth of the church and surrounding community; and

10 WHEREAS, on March 15, 2008, the church was destroyed by a tornado, but with the
11 generous assistance of other churches in the area, worship services continued and a new
12 sanctuary was completed in June, 2009; and

13 WHEREAS, the congregation of this church has compiled an unparalleled record of
14 constructive, compassionate, and humanitarian service that it demonstrates daily through
15 open minds, open hearts, and open doors; and

16 WHEREAS, the members of Second Hopeful Missionary Baptist Church have a sincere
17 desire to serve the Lord and are wholeheartedly committed to spreading the Gospel of
18 Jesus Christ and allowing the Word of God to spread throughout the community; and

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

22 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
23 the members of this body recognize the rich history of Second Hopeful Missionary Baptist
24 Church, commend its 150 years of dedicated service to the Lord and community, and extend
25 their warmest best wishes for its continued growth and success.

26 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
27 and directed to make appropriate copies of this resolution available for distribution to Second
28 Hopeful Missionary Baptist Church.