

House Resolution 1213

By: Representatives Burnough of the 77th, Smyre of the 135th, Mitchell of the 88th, Bennett of the 94th, and Douglas of the 78th

A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing and commending Pastor Melvin C. Smith on his installation; and for other
2 purposes.

3 WHEREAS, Pastor Melvin C. Smith has demonstrated his commitment to teaching the
4 Gospel, witnessing Christ through word and deed, and addressing the physical,
5 psychological, intellectual, and spiritual needs of others; and

6 WHEREAS, Pastor Melvin C. Smith is the Servant Leader of Cross Culture 365 Ministries
7 and is an energetic, God-fearing, and inspiring man who accepted Jesus Christ at a very early
8 age; and

9 WHEREAS, he received a bachelor's degree in business administration from Georgia State
10 University and later matriculated at Luther Rice University earning his Master of Arts in
11 biblical counseling and his Masters of Divinity in ministry; and

12 WHEREAS, Pastor Smith has worked in leadership roles for such major corporations as PNC
13 Financial Group, Benchmark Hospitality Management Group, Starwood Hotels and Resorts,
14 Marriott Hotels, Chick-fil-A, well as many other organizations and advocacy groups, and is
15 currently the CEO of Mentoring Exceptional Leaders, LLC; and

16 WHEREAS, he has served in full-time ministry for over 20 years in several ministerial roles,
17 including youth and young adult pastor, director of youth development, and elder over
18 numerous ministry auxiliaries; and

19 WHEREAS, Pastor Smith humbly served as a staff pastor at the House of Hope Atlanta
20 Church for five years in many different capacities under the leadership of his Senior Pastor,
21 Dr. E. Dewey Smith, before becoming the Senior Pastor of Cross Culture 365 Ministries; and

22 WHEREAS, his vision and direction have helped Cross Culture 365 Ministries grow in size
23 and influence, uplifting the community like the light of Bethlehem and serving as a spiritual
24 leader and place for fellowship; and

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

28 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
29 the members of this body recognize and commend Pastor Melvin C. Smith on the wonderful
30 occasion of his installation and extend best wishes for many more years of successful
31 fellowship and leadership.

32 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
33 and directed to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to Pastor
34 Melvin C. Smith.