

House Resolution 480

By: Representative Glaize of the 67th

A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing and commending Bishop Wilfred Durrah, Jr.; and for other purposes.

2 WHEREAS, Bishop Wilfred Durrah, Jr. was the first child of five children born to the late
3 Deacon Wilfred Durrah, Sr. and the late Mother Julia Durrah, was educated in the Atlanta
4 Public School System, and attended Marsh-Draughon Business College; and

5 WHEREAS, Bishop Durrah was saved under the guidance of Mama Linsey, Pastor of the
6 Traveling Prayer Band Church, and later joined Smyrna United Church of God in Christ; and

7 WHEREAS, in 1983, he joined and served as a minister in the Free Gospel
8 Interdenominational Church and later joined the Greater Fellowship Temple of the Apostolic
9 Faith and, during his tenure, he accepted the call from God to pastor a flock; and

10 WHEREAS, in October 1986, he established Charity Truth Tabernacle Church, Incorporated
11 where he currently serves as Senior Pastor, and in 1991 was appointed to the Office of
12 Bishop in the Apostolic Faith; and

13 WHEREAS, in November of 2003, Bishop Durrah and the congregation joined in unity with
14 the United Churches of God in Christ, Incorporated under the leadership of, Presiding Bishop

15 Spencer Lackey, Sr. and while serving as Bishop-Designate in the United Churches of God
16 in Christ, Incorporated, he merged nine other churches into the organization; and

17 WHEREAS, he was consecrated as a Bishop in 2005 in the United Churches of God in
18 Christ, Incorporated, where he served until February 2019; and

19 WHEREAS, Bishop Durrah is the recipient of numerous awards and honors, including the
20 United States Congressional Recognition Award, the Atlanta City Council's Community
21 Service Award for his exceptional work with the youth in the community, the Certificate of
22 Merit for his service given to the Atlanta Public Schools the National Sorority of Phi Delta
23 Kappa, Incorporated, Alpha Epsilon Chapter's Certificate of Special Recognition in the Field
24 of Education; and

25 WHEREAS, Bishop Durrah has implemented numerous outreach ministries to the
26 community: feed the hungry, parenting classes for single parents, marriage ministry, clothe
27 drive for the poor, provided homeless a shelter, seminars and training on employment
28 opportunities, leadership training, mentoring youth, and nursing home ministry; and

29 Bishop Durrah is married to Dr. Bonita Gillespie Durrah and has two children, Wilfred
30 Durrah, III and Amber L. Durrah, and eight beautiful grandchildren and countless spiritual
31 sons and daughters.

32 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
33 the members of this body recognize and commend Bishop Wilfred Durrah, Jr. for his
34 commitment to witnessing Christ through word and deed.

35 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
36 and directed to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to
37 Bishop Wilfred Durrah, Jr.