

Senate Resolution 1060

By: Senators Anderson of the 43rd, Davenport of the 17th, Mallow of the 2nd, Kemp of the 38th, Harbison of the 15th and others

A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing and commending Salem Bible Church on the occasion of its 135th anniversary;
2 and for other purposes.

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

6 WHEREAS, founded by a faithful group of believers who first gathered in a small house on
7 Hawkins Street in Atlanta, the church established a firm spiritual foundation under its first
8 pastor, Rev. G. B. Fanning, and continued to expand under Rev. R. Dorsey, who relocated
9 the church to Martin Street; and

10 WHEREAS, under the leadership of Rev. C. L. Wilder and Rev. C. S. Jackson, Salem Bible
11 Church experienced significant growth in membership, rebuilding its place of worship
12 following a devastating fire and constructing a new church to accommodate its expanding
13 congregation; and

14 WHEREAS, since November 1963, Pastor Jasper Williams Jr. has led Salem Bible Church
15 through a period of transformative growth, expanding its membership, establishing a new

16 sanctuary on Baker Road, and developing impactful ministries, including community
17 programs, housing initiatives, and additional campuses that have strengthened its presence
18 and outreach; and

19 WHEREAS, the members of Salem Bible Church have a sincere desire to serve the Lord and
20 are wholeheartedly committed to spreading the gospel of Jesus Christ; and

21 WHEREAS, the story of Salem Bible Church is one of triumph through the grace and
22 sustaining power of God, and it stands as an immovable witness to the truth that God keeps
23 His promise; and

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

27 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body
28 recognize the rich history of Salem Bible Church, commend its 135 years of dedicated
29 service to the Lord and community, and extend their warmest best wishes for its continued
30 growth and success.

31 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
32 to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to Salem Bible
33 Church.