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8 CONGRATULATING DR. O. WENDELL DAVIS ON HIS 30TH  
9 ANNIVERSARY AS THE PASTOR OF UNION CHAPEL MISSIONARY BAPTIST  
10 CHURCH.  
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12 WHEREAS, highest commendations and congratulations  
13 are proudly presented to Dr. O. Wendell Davis on the occasion  
14 of his 30th Anniversary as the Pastor of Union Chapel  
15 Missionary Baptist Church; and

16 WHEREAS, Dr. O. Wendell Davis, the Pastor of Union  
17 Chapel Missionary Baptist Church in Huntsville, Alabama, was  
18 born in New Orleans, Louisiana, and grew up in Gulfport,  
19 Mississippi; upon graduating high school, he joined the U.S.  
20 Army, and spent three years serving his country; and

21 WHEREAS, he committed his life to Christ at the age  
22 of 24 years; one year later, he was called into ministry work;  
23 he has served in ministry for over 40 years; in 1981, he  
24 served as the Pastor of Independent Missionary Baptist Church  
25 in Brooklyn, Mississippi; in 1986, he served as the Pastor of  
26 Mt. Calvary Baptist Church in Gulfport, Mississippi; in 1989,  
27 he joined Union Chapel Missionary Baptist Church in

1 Huntsville, Alabama, as its Pastor, where he has been in  
2 pastoral ministry for the past 30 years; and

3 WHEREAS, Pastor Davis has an extensive educational  
4 background; he has studied at William Carey College, New  
5 Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary, Southern Baptist Sunday  
6 School Board, Calhoun Community College, Faulkner University,  
7 Liberty University, and Alabama A and M University; he  
8 received his undergraduate degree from Athens State  
9 University; he then continued his education at Southern  
10 Christian University in Montgomery, Alabama, where he earned  
11 his Master of Science in Ministry Degree, Master of Divinity  
12 Degree, and Doctor of Ministry Degree; he is listed in Who's  
13 Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges for  
14 Christ; and

15 WHEREAS, he is affiliated with numerous religious  
16 and civic organizations, and he serves as the Dean of Union  
17 Chapel Bible College; for over 20 years, he served as an  
18 instructor for National Baptist Congress of Christian  
19 Education; he has served as an instructor for the Alabama  
20 State Congress of Christian Education as well; and

21 WHEREAS, in 1998, Pastor Davis established the Union  
22 Chapel Institute of Biblical Studies; a year later, weekly  
23 mid-day Bible study was instituted, and a new worship facility  
24 was constructed; soon, he oversaw the construction of  
25 additional facilities, including a new Child Development  
26 Center, a Family Life Center for continuous family enrichment,  
27 Union Chapel Christian Academy, and a church pavilion; and

1               WHEREAS, his hobbies include walking, reading, and  
2 outdoor sports; his biggest passion is leading people to  
3 Christ; he and his wife, Dora, have three sons; and

4               WHEREAS, Pastor Davis is indeed an inspirational  
5 individual who is deserving of special recognition; now  
6 therefore,

7               BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, BOTH  
8 HOUSES THEREOF CONCURRING, That we hereby extend heartiest  
9 congratulations to Dr. O. Wendell Davis on the occasion of his  
10 30th Anniversary as the Pastor of Union Chapel Missionary  
11 Baptist Church, and we extend to him best wishes for continued  
12 success in all future endeavors.