

House Resolution 1509

By: Representative Greene of the 151<sup>st</sup>

#### A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing and commending Shiloh Baptist Church on the occasion of its 180th  
2 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 Shiloh Baptist Church have blossomed, establishing a rich tradition  
5 and history; and

6 WHEREAS, organized in 1840, Shiloh Baptist Church has grown under the divine direction  
7 of numerous pastors over the years, allowing the Word of God to spread throughout the  
8 community; the church's current pastor is Dr. Phil Thomas; and

9 WHEREAS, the congregation of this church has compiled an unparalleled record of  
10 constructive, compassionate, and humanitarian service which it demonstrates daily through  
11 open minds, open hearts, and open doors; and

12 WHEREAS, the members of Shiloh Baptist Church have a sincere desire to serve the Lord  
13 and are wholeheartedly committed to spreading the Gospel of Jesus Christ, regularly making  
14 missionary trips throughout the Appalachian region, and recently reaching out to Springvale  
15 Baptist Church to help that congregation find a pastor and keep the church's doors open; and

16 WHEREAS, the story of Shiloh Baptist Church is one of triumph through the grace and  
17 sustaining power of God, and it stands as an immovable witness to the truth that God keeps  
18 His promise; 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.

22 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that  
23 the members of this body recognize the rich history of Shiloh Baptist Church, commend its  
24 180 years of dedicated service to the Lord and community, and extend their warmest best  
25 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 an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to  
28 Shiloh Baptist Church.