

House Resolution 1709

By: Representatives Metze of the 55th, Beasley-Teague of the 65th, Stovall of the 74th, Williams of the 168th, Smyre of the 135th, and others

A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing and commending Reverend Edward Spencer Reynolds; and for other purposes.

2 WHEREAS, Reverend Edward Spencer Reynolds has demonstrated his commitment to
3 teaching the Gospel, witnessing Christ through word and deed, and addressing the physical,
4 psychological, intellectual, and spiritual needs of others; and

5 WHEREAS, Reverend Reynolds was called by the Lord 34 years ago to preach the Gospel
6 and has been ordained for 27 years, and his many decades of service in ministry have
7 equipped him to be a shepherd of the congregants of Midway Missionary Baptist Church
8 where he serves as pastor; and

9 WHEREAS, his vision and direction have helped Midway Missionary Baptist Church grow
10 in size and influence, uplifting the community like the light of Bethlehem and serving as a
11 spiritual leader and place for fellowship; and

12 WHEREAS, Reverend Reynolds is a distinguished human rights activist who was appointed
13 vice chairperson of the National Task Force on Social Action, Justice, and Public Policy of
14 the Progressive National Baptist Convention Inc. as well as a member of the Martin Luther
15 King Jr. State Commission of Georgia by Governor Roy Barnes, which is an additional
16 testament to his commitment to the well-being of others; and

17 WHEREAS, his dynamic Christian ministry also includes his service with the Georgia
18 Fatherhood Program, where he serves as regional coordinator and liaison to the Faith-Factor
19 Initiative and Work-Force Development Program on behalf of the Technical College System
20 of Georgia, formerly known as the Georgia Department of Technical and Adult Education;
21 and

22 WHEREAS, whether the task is preparing a sermon, visiting the sick, counseling the
23 troubled, baptizing a new believer, or acting as a theologian, educator, administrator, or
24 humanitarian, Reverend Reynolds serves as a shining example of God's righteous path; and

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

28 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
29 the members of this body recognize and commend Reverend Edward Spencer Reynolds for
30 his many contributions on behalf of his fellow citizens and extend best wishes for many more
31 years of successful 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
34 Reverend Edward Spencer Reynolds.