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House Resolution 72

By: Representative Williamson of the 115th

## A RESOLUTION

- 1 Recognizing and commending Bible Baptist Church on the occasion of its 40th anniversary,
- 2 and its pastor, Gregory Alan Butler; and for other purposes.
- 3 WHEREAS, the seeds which were sown by the loving and humble efforts of the devoted
- 4 original worshipers of Bible Baptist Church have blossomed, establishing a rich tradition and
- 5 history; and
- 6 WHEREAS, organized in 1973, Bible Baptist Church has grown under the divine direction
- 7 of Pastor Butler, allowing the Word of God to spread throughout the community; and
- 8 WHEREAS, Pastor Butler has demonstrated his commitment to teaching the Gospel,
- 9 witnessing Christ through word and deed, and addressing the physical, psychological,
- 10 intellectual, and spiritual needs of others; and
- 11 WHEREAS, his vision and direction have helped Bible Baptist Church grow in size and
- 12 influence, uplifting the community like the light of Bethlehem and serving as a spiritual
- 13 leader and place for fellowship; and
- 14 WHEREAS, the congregation of this church has compiled an unparalleled record of
- 15 constructive, compassionate, and humanitarian service which it demonstrates daily through
- 16 open minds, open hearts, and open doors; and
- 17 WHEREAS, the members of Bible Baptist Church have a sincere desire to serve the Lord
- and are wholeheartedly committed to spreading the gospel of Jesus Christ; and
- 19 WHEREAS, on January 1, 2017, Bible Baptist Church celebrated its 40th anniversary with
- 20 homecoming events and worship services and all current and former members, friends, and
- 21 community associates were welcome to celebrate; and

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WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that this enduring example of God's message

- 23 of peace and love and its devoted pastor be recognized and congratulated for innumerable
- 24 good works rendered on behalf of persons in need.
- 25 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
- 26 the members of this body recognize and commend Bible Baptist Church's 40 years of
- 27 dedicated service to the Lord and community and Pastor Gregory Alan Butler, who has
- 28 helped the church thrive for so long.
- 29 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
- 30 and directed to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to Bible
- 31 Baptist Church.