

2022 Regular Session

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 159

BY REPRESENTATIVE WILLARD

A RESOLUTION

To commend Reverend Dr. Lionel Davis, Sr., on the occasion of his twenty-first pastoral anniversary.

WHEREAS, it is most fitting to recognize Reverend Dr. Lionel Davis, Sr., for devoting more than two decades to the pastorate of Pentecost Baptist Church in New Orleans and to extend profound gratitude and appreciation to him and the Pentecost Baptist Church family for their recognition and celebration of the annual Pilotland Neighborhood Day of Family Unity; and

WHEREAS, Pastor Davis is a strong-willed man of faith who draws people into his faith community by leading with the utmost humility and grace; and

WHEREAS, Pastor Davis is a faithful servant to the members of Pentecost Baptist Church, and his contributions to the local community are well-documented throughout the city of New Orleans and the state of Louisiana; he has long collaborated with elected officials to better fulfill his civic duty to promote good government, and his experience has motivated many newly elected public servants to seek out his counsel; and

WHEREAS, Pastor Davis is regularly involved in nearly every major development in the Pilotland and St. Bernard neighborhoods of New Orleans; he has even been dubbed "The Mayor of Pilotland" because of his palpable dedication to the protection of the community and preservation of its history; and

WHEREAS, Pastor Davis has long used his position of influence to give back to his community; he actively seeks the resources and material support for public schools and works to give them access to updated curriculum; and

WHEREAS, Pastor Davis is as much an exemplary minister as he is a community leader; his time as chaplain and life coach with the Orleans Parish Prison System and service on the advisory board for Dillard University's Office of Church and Community Relations are testaments to his willingness to serve the community by any means necessary; he is a truly inspiring individual that is most deserving of the highest recognition.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the House of Representatives of the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby commend Reverend Dr. Lionel Davis, Sr., on the occasion of his twenty-first pastoral anniversary; does hereby further recognize Pastor Davis's continuous commitment to both his church and local community; and does hereby extend sincere hopes for his continued community service efforts and prosperity as pastor of Pentecost Baptist Church.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to Reverend Dr. Lionel Davis, Sr.

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SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES