

By: Jackson, Harden, Frazier

To: Rules

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 2
(As Adopted by Senate)

1 A RESOLUTION COMMENDING THE CONSIDERABLE CHARITABLE AND CIVIC
2 ACCOMPLISHMENTS OF REVEREND BARRON BANKS, PASTOR OF OAK GROVE
3 MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH.

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5 WHEREAS, Reverend Barron Banks of Jackson, Mississippi, has
6 assumed the Pastorate of Oak Grove Missionary Baptist Church in
7 Preston, Kemper County, Mississippi, after 23 years of dedicated
8 religious leadership in the Presbyterian church; and

9 WHEREAS, his dynamic leadership at Oak Grove has already
10 resulted in the preparation to break grounds for a new church
11 sanctuary, an expanded van ministry involving the church and the
12 community, and the adoption of an 8th grade class and family at
13 Kemper County High School; and

14 WHEREAS, his employment history, community and church service
15 and education development records his dedication to his fellow
16 man:

17 Employment History-Church and Secular:

18 1998-2000, Homiletic Instructor (Preaching) Mississippi
19 Baptist Seminary, Jackson, Mississippi; 1991-2000,
20 Pastor-Administrator, Oak Grove Missionary Baptist Church,
21 Preston, Mississippi; 1991-2000, Instructor (full-time), Jackson

22 State University, Department of Philosophy and Religion, Jackson,
23 Mississippi; 1990-1991, Clinic Coordinator, Development Centers of
24 America, Atlanta, Georgia; 1986-1990, Pastor, Rice Memorial
25 Presbyterian Church, St. Petersburg, Florida; 1977-1981, Co-Pastor
26 and Pastor, Winton Hills United Presbyterian Church, Cincinnati,
27 Ohio; 1976-1977, Pastor, Wright Memorial A.M.E. Zion Church,
28 Washington, Pennsylvania; 1974-1975, Assistant Minister and
29 Student Minister, Blackdoore United Presbyterian Church,
30 Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania; 1971-1973, Guidance Counselor, Saint
31 High School and Junior College, Lexington, Mississippi; 1969-1971,
32 Teacher, Morehead School, Morehead, Mississippi.

33 Community and Church Service:

34 1999-2000, Member, Board of Directors, Good Work Foundation,
35 Jackson, Mississippi; 1998-2000, Secretary, Board of Directors,
36 100 Concerned Clergy for Better Jackson, Jackson, Mississippi;
37 1997-2000, Member, Board of Directors, Hinds County Human
38 Resources Agency (Approved by the Hinds County Board of
39 Supervisors); 1997-2000, Member, Board of Trustee, Mississippi
40 Science Network, Inc. (Formerly the Davis Planetarium Foundation,
41 Inc.); 1992-2000, Member, Personnel Committee, The Center for
42 Independence Learning ("The Friendship Connection"), Jackson,
43 Mississippi, Chairperson, Board of Directors, 1994, 1995, 1996,
44 1997, Chairperson, Personnel Committee, 1992, 1993, January 1994;
45 1992-1994, Chairperson, Education Committee, Jackson Branch of the
46 NAACP, Jackson, Mississippi; 1990-1991, Commissioner, 203rd
47 General Assembly, Baltimore, Maryland; 1991, Member, Steering
48 Committee to Create the First Human Resources Committee, Clayton
49 County, Georgia; 1989-1991, Member, Wing of Hope Anti-Drug
50 Program, Co-Sponsored by SCLC, Churches and Universities and the
51 City of Atlanta; 1989-1991, President, Board of Trustees,
52 Pittsburgh Community Land Trust, Inc., Atlanta, Georgia;

53 1984-1988, Campaign Volunteer with Jesse Jackson, St. Petersburg,
54 Florida and Atlanta, Georgia, Selected as Delegate for the 1984
55 and 1988 Presidential Primaries; 1984-1988, Chairman, School of
56 Bi-Racial, Pinella County Schools, St. Petersburg, Florida;
57 1981-1986, Chairman, Committee on Representation, Committee on
58 Ministry Southwest Florida Presbyterian, St. Petersburg, Florida;
59 1982-1985, Chairman, Racial Ethnic Task Force, Synod of Florida,
60 Orlando, Florida; 1980-1981, President, Winton Hills Community
61 Association, Cincinnati, Ohio; 1978-1980, Member, Board of
62 Trustees, United Campus Ministry, University of Cincinnati, Ohio;
63 1966-1968, Organizer, Right Start Project, Interfaith Choir,
64 Student Christian Association and Baptist Student Union, Jackson
65 State University, Jackson, Mississippi.

66 Education/Professional Development:

67 1997-2000, Columbia Theological Seminary, Decatur, Georgia,
68 Doctor of Ministry Degree Program, admitted October 6, 1997 with
69 emphasis on Gospel and Culture; 1995-1996, nominated to
70 participate in "Workshop on Teaching Religion in the American
71 South" at Emory University, June 11-17, 1995 and at the University
72 of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, Summer 1996; 1973-1976, M. Div.,
73 Pittsburgh Theological Seminary, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania;
74 1971-1972, Guidance and Counseling, Mississippi State University,
75 Starkville, Mississippi; 1964-1969, B.S. Degree, Social
76 Science/Education, Jackson, State University, Jackson,
77 Mississippi; 1999, attended Samuel DeWitt Proctor Institute for
78 Child Advocate Ministry (A Philosophy Forum), the former Alex
79 Haley Farm, Clinton, Tennessee (July 19-23, 1999); and

80 WHEREAS, Rev Banks and his wife, Patricia Bolden Banks, have

81 two sons, Aaron and Joseph; and

82 WHEREAS, it is with great pride that we recognize the
83 accomplishments and civic dedication of this Mississippian:

84 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE STATE OF
85 MISSISSIPPI, That we do hereby commend the considerable charitable
86 and civic accomplishments of Reverend Barron Banks, Pastor and
87 Administrator of Oak Grove Missionary Baptist Church in Preston,
88 Kemper County, Mississippi, and wish him continued success in his
89 future endeavors with his church and community.

90 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That this resolution be presented to
91 Rev. Banks and his family and be made available to the Capitol
92 Press Corps.