

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 233

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A RESOLUTION to honor and recognize Pastor Steven Young of Memphis.

WHEREAS, it is appropriate that the members of this legislative body should honor those citizens who have answered a divine call to the ministry and who have served with dedication, vigor, and enthusiasm to perform God's work for their congregations and their communities; and

WHEREAS, Pastor Steven Young is one such estimable spiritual leader, who is excited and grateful to have been called by God to preach His gospel; and

WHEREAS, for the past seventeen years, Pastor Young has shepherded the flock of Ardmore Terrace Baptist Church and has led that community of faith through many challenges and triumphs; and

WHEREAS, born into the devoutly Christian home of the Reverend Ben Young and Mrs. Linnie Young, he is the second of their six children; and

WHEREAS, Pastor Young is a product of the Memphis City Schools and has studied at Union University and the Stephen Olford Institute; and

WHEREAS, the founder and president of Ordered Steps Ministries, Pastor Steven Young serves on the board of two nonprofit entities, and his advice and counsel are sought by other pastors and leaders; and

WHEREAS, he is the loving husband of the former Tamara Holt, and they are the proud parents of Diamond, Nicholas, Miles, and Zachery; and

WHEREAS, throughout his endeavors in religious and secular life, Pastor Young is inspired by his life's testimonial Bible verse: "The steps of a good man are ordered by the

LORD: and He delighteth in his way. Though he fall he shall not be utterly cast down: for the LORD upholdeth him with His hand." (Psalm 37:23-24); and

WHEREAS, the members of this legislative body are delighted to recognize Pastor Steven Young for his service to his community, his State, and the congregation of Ardmore Terrace Baptist Church; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED ELEVENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we honor and recognize Pastor Steven Young for his exemplary Christian leadership and compassion as we welcome him to the chamber of the House of Representatives to serve as Pastor of the Day.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.