

## House Resolution No. 3310

**Whereas**, Bishop Willie James Ellis, Jr. received his ministerial license on July 6, 1960; and

**Whereas**, Bishop Willie James Ellis, Jr. was presented before council for ordination by the Reverend L. Works, the Reverend R.H. Homes, and the Reverend M. Woodside, and was ordained by the Reverend W.S. Jones on April 22, 1962; and

**Whereas**, Bishop Willie James Ellis, Jr. became the pastor of New Northside Missionary Baptist Church on January 13, 1964; and

**Whereas**, in June 2001, the title of Bishop was bestowed upon pastor Ellis in Pasadena, California; and

**Whereas**, Bishop Willie James Ellis, Jr. has fulfilled his commission as pastor of New Northside Missionary Baptist Church for forty years; and

**Whereas**, Bishop Ellis has continued to lead his congregation spiritually and to teach men, women, and children about the principles and benefits of living a positive life; and

**Whereas**, Bishop Ellis is to be commended for his commitment, courage, and tenacity to make a difference in the lives of those he has touched:

**Now, therefore, be it resolved** that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, unanimously join in extending our most hearty congratulations to Bishop Ellis as he proudly celebrates his Fortieth Anniversary as pastor of New Northside Missionary Baptist Church, and in wishing him only the very best as he continues to serve the Christian mission; and

**Be it further resolved** that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for Bishop Willie James Ellis, Jr., as a mark of our esteem for him.

Offered by \_\_\_\_\_  
Representative Connie L. Johnson  
District No. 61

I, Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, Second Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. 3310, adopted June 3, 2004.

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Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker