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HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 319

BY REPRESENTATIVE JACKSON

COMMENDATIONS: Commends Dr. Brady L. Blade, Sr., on his sixty-four-year achievement as the longest-serving pastor of the same church in Louisiana

A RESOLUTION

To commend Dr. Brady L. Blade, Sr., pastor of Zion Missionary Baptist Church in 2 3 Shreveport, for his extraordinary achievement as the longest-serving pastor of the 4 same church in Louisiana with sixty-four years of continuous leadership and service. WHEREAS, since September 10, 1961, Dr. Brady L. Blade, Sr., has faithfully served 5 6 as pastor of Zion Missionary Baptist Church, leading his congregation with unwavering 7 dedication, humility, and love; and 8 WHEREAS, throughout his remarkable ministry, Dr. Blade has become not only a 9 spiritual leader but also a pillar of the Shreveport community, offering guidance, comfort, 10 and hope to generations of individuals and families; and 11 WHEREAS, Dr. Blade has distinguished himself through a life of service that spans 12 more than seven decades in ministry, with sixty-four of those years dedicated to a single 13 congregation, a milestone unparalleled in the history of Louisiana's faith community; and 14 WHEREAS, research confirms that Dr. Blade holds the distinction of being 15 Louisiana's longest-serving pastor at the same church, surpassing previous records, including 16 that of the late Pastor J.D. Grey, who served First Baptist Church of New Orleans from 1937 17 to 1972; and 18 WHEREAS, under his leadership, Zion Missionary Baptist Church has flourished as 19 a center of faith, education, outreach, and community uplift, reflecting the enduring impact 20 of his spiritual vision and pastoral care; and

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- 1 WHEREAS, the members of the House of Representatives take great pride in
- 2 recognizing citizens whose contributions enrich the cultural and spiritual fabric of our state
- 3 and inspire future generations; and
- WHEREAS, it is fitting to honor Dr. Brady L. Blade, Sr., whose lifetime of service
- 5 represents an extraordinary legacy of faith, leadership, and love.
- THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the House of Representatives of the
- 7 Legislature of Louisiana does hereby commend and recognize Dr. Brady L. Blade, Sr., for
- 8 his historic sixty-four years of service as pastor of Zion Missionary Baptist Church and does
- 9 hereby extend best wishes for continued health, happiness, and ministry.

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