

1 and Daughters of the House, which has created a legacy of leadership and ministry that
2 extends to future generations; and

3 WHEREAS, Pastor Dara's ministry has transcended the walls of the church and
4 reached into the broader community through his dedicated service and involvement with
5 numerous organizations, including the Chamber of Commerce, Rapides Foundation, Hope
6 House, the Manna House, the Food Bank of Cenla, Salvation Army, American Red Cross,
7 Rapides Symphony Orchestra, and the United Educational Missionary Baptist Association;
8 he serves as a commissioner on the England Authority, where he provides leadership
9 promoting economic development; and

10 WHEREAS, Pastor Dara has previously served the community through his
11 engagement with various organizations, including Turning Point Shelter, Shepherd Center,
12 and Cenla Interfaith, which exemplifies his commitment to service and meeting the needs
13 of humanity; and

14 WHEREAS, Pastor Joshua Joy Dara, Sr., has served as a pastor, mentor, counselor,
15 teacher, leader, and servant whose ministry has strengthened families, empowered
16 individuals, and transformed countless lives.

17 THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the House of Representatives of the
18 Legislature of Louisiana does hereby commend Pastor Joshua Joy Dara, Sr., for thirty years
19 of faithful service as pastor of Zion Hill Church; does hereby express gratitude for his
20 steadfast leadership, tireless dedication, and enduring commitment to the church and the
21 community; and does hereby offer sincere wishes that he continue to prosper as he fulfills
22 his call to ministry.

DIGEST

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Commends Pastor Joshua Dara, Sr., on the occasion of his 30th pastoral anniversary at Zion Hill Church.