

2014 SESSION

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HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 110

Commending Little Zion Baptist Church.

Agreed to by the House of Delegates, February 14, 2014

WHEREAS, there is, as the late Simone Weil affirmed, "a reality beyond this world" from which human beings, and human societies alike, must derive the principles of goodness, hence of justice; and

WHEREAS, in every tradition that manifests a revelation of the eternal, there is a summons to accord equal respect to all individuals within the hierarchical communion that is crowned by the Divine, and without regard to the ephemeral considerations that often enough prevail in social, political, or economic matters; and

WHEREAS, within the Graeco-Roman and Christian traditions from which the American order derives, the highest expression of the bond of fellowship finds expression in the declaration that, "There is neither Jew nor Greek, there is neither bond nor free, there is neither male nor female: for ye are all one in Christ Jesus"; and

WHEREAS, this appeal was central to the summons proffered to the American people by Martin Luther King, Jr.; and

WHEREAS, the remembrance of things past is indispensable to the preparation of things to come; and

WHEREAS, to cultivate a fellowship based upon the highest tenets of religion, culture, and political order alike, Little Zion Baptist Church of Powhatan has undertaken each year to gather together the community of Powhatan for an annual Martin Luther King Youth Day Community Breakfast; and

WHEREAS, the endeavor of Little Zion Baptist Church has justly received broad support from the people of Powhatan, so that the highest aspects of the appeal of Martin Luther King, Jr., account for a cordial commonality of purpose and regard among all involved; and

WHEREAS, central to the Martin Luther King Youth Day Community Breakfast inaugurated by Little Zion Baptist Church is inculcation in the youth of Powhatan of the biblical summons to "Love one another"; and

WHEREAS, the Third Annual Martin Luther King Youth Day Community Breakfast exemplified the principle of mutual regard and affection by bringing together over 200 Powhatan citizens of every race and of sundry communions of faith at Powhatan United Methodist Church, with Dr. Gregory L. Beechaum, Sr., pastor of Little Zion Baptist Church, as master of ceremonies; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, That Little Zion Baptist Church of Powhatan hereby be commended for its initiative in arranging for an annual "Martin Luther King Youth Day Community Breakfast"; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the House of Delegates prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to Little Zion Baptist Church in the hope that the church's worthy endeavor may flourish for many more years to come.

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