

R E S O L U T I O N

1        WHEREAS, A life made rich through meaningful service drew to  
2 a close with the passing of admired Pastor Louis Charles Sidney Sr.  
3 on May 13, 2023, at the age of 70; and

4        WHEREAS, The son of Pastor Elijah J. Sidney and Burlee  
5 Sidney, Louis Sidney was born in Houston on July 21, 1952, and he  
6 grew up as the sixth of nine children; learning from his father, he  
7 was sustained by a strong faith from an early age; and

8        WHEREAS, Pastor Sidney graduated from Conroe Normal and Real  
9 Bible Seminary with a degree in theology and went on to earn his  
10 doctorate in divinity from the Inter-Baptist Theological Center; in  
11 1984, he was installed as pastor of St. Paul Missionary Baptist  
12 Church; he served the congregation with wisdom and compassion ever  
13 after, and he was known as a dynamic and inspiring speaker; and

14       WHEREAS, Dedicated to helping anyone in need, Pastor Sidney  
15 fed the hungry and cared for those who were suffering; he reached  
16 out to the community and local schools in order to improve the lives  
17 of senior citizens and young people; the dean of the Progressive  
18 Peaceful Union District Association, he also worked closely with  
19 the Settegast Improvement Council; he served as a chaplain for the  
20 Houston Police Department and as president of the department's  
21 Northeast Multicultural Coalition; in addition, he was a member of  
22 Ministers Against Crime and the Ministers Coalition of Harris  
23 County and Vicinity; and

24       WHEREAS, Pastor Sidney shared a fulfilling union of more than

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1 30 years with the former Katie Taylor, and they were blessed with  
2 two sons and three daughters; following her passing, he was  
3 fortunate enough to find love a second time with the former Darlene  
4 Carson, with whom he enjoyed nearly two decades of marriage;  
5 through the years, he had the pleasure of welcoming many  
6 grandchildren into his family; and

7 WHEREAS, Although Pastor Louis Sidney will be deeply missed  
8 by those he left behind, the passage of time will never diminish the  
9 joy, love, and kindness that he brought into the lives of all who  
10 knew him; now, therefore, be it

11 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 88th Texas  
12 Legislature hereby pay tribute to the memory of Pastor Louis  
13 Charles Sidney Sr. and extend sincere condolences to all who mourn  
14 his passing; and, be it further

15 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be  
16 prepared for his family and that when the Texas House of  
17 Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Pastor  
18 Sidney.

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 2114 was unanimously adopted by a rising vote of the House on May 22, 2023.

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Chief Clerk of the House