

## 2013-K1029

LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION commemorating the 25th Pastoral Anniversary of Bishop Micheal A. Mitchell and his wife, First Lady Vivienne Mitchell, on April 26, 2014

WHEREAS, The character and richness of religious and community life in this noble Empire State is nourished and fulfilled through the faithful concern and selfless devotion of those who would commit their energies and purpose to the ministry of others; and

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to bring full recognition and just tribute to those individuals who distinguish themselves and the ministry through their unremitting commitment and preeminence of service; and

WHEREAS, This Legislative Body is justly proud to commemorate the 25th Pastoral Anniversary of Bishop Micheal A. Mitchell and his wife, First Lady Vivienne Mitchell, on Saturday, April 26, 2014; and

WHEREAS, Born in Kingston, Jamaica, Bishop Micheal A. Mitchell is third of seven sons born to Alfred and Myrtle Mitchell; he and his family moved to the United States in 1971; and

WHEREAS, Bishop Micheal A. Mitchell earned an Associate's degree in Liberal Arts from Queensborough Community College, as well as a Certificate in Theology from Kent Christian College External Study Program; and

WHEREAS, A resident of Nassau County, Bishop Micheal A. Mitchell has been happily married to his loving wife, Vivienne Mitchell, for 32 years; and

WHEREAS, Bishop Micheal A. Mitchell was appointed Pastor of New Life Tabernacle Church of Brooklyn, New York in April of 1989, during which time the church had 12 active members; he continues to serve as the church's Pastor today, with a current membership of 1200 people and an

average weekly attendance of 1300; and

WHEREAS, In addition, 11 satellite churches have been established throughout different communities of Brooklyn, New York as a result of Bishop Micheal A. Mitchell's ministry; and

WHEREAS, A true visionary and evangelist, Bishop Micheal A. Mitchell preaches and teaches at camps and crusades on the local, district, national and international levels including South Korea, England and Ethiopia; and

WHEREAS, Bishop Micheal A. Mitchell has held several offices in the United Pentecostal Church International, some of which include, Youth President of the New York Metro District, Section No. 2 Secretary for the New York Metro District, member of both The General Youth Committee and Black Evangelism Committee, Home Missions Director of the New York Metro District, and Northeast Regional Home Missions Director; and

WHEREAS, Furthermore, he currently serves on the General Sunday School Division Pastoral Advisor Committee for the United States Church International, and is the Section No. 2 Presbyterian for the New York Metro District; and

WHEREAS, Bishop Micheal A. Mitchell completed his first book, BREAD CRUMBS VOLUME 1, in 2005, and one year later he produced BREAD CRUMBS VOLUME 2; in 2007, he released his latest book, INSIDE-OUT MODERATION: LIVING MODESTLY IN AN IMMORAL WORLD, for the youth of today in the hope that his message will inspire all to reclaim a modest lifestyle of decency in the midst of an immoral world; and

WHEREAS, Bishop Micheal A. Mitchell has brought to his ministry an overwhelming spirit of charity and compassion, acting from vision and enlightenment in conducting his administrative and spiritual duties,

while always displaying the highest standards of personal and professional integrity and dedication; and

WHEREAS, This distinguished man of God has always given enlightenment, guidance and wisdom to the many entrusted to his care and has adminis-

tered abundantly and unstintingly to the spiritual and corporal needs of all; and

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body that when a person of such noble aims and accomplishments is brought to our attention it is appropriate to publicly and jubilantly proclaim and commend that individual for the edification of others; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to commemorate the 25th Pastoral Anniversary of Bishop Micheal A. Mitchell and his wife, First Lady Vivienne Mitchell, on April 26, 2014, noting his unremitting and compassionate faith and his exemplary service to God, man, and his community, and extending to him the heartfelt best wishes of this Legislative Body for a future of purposeful success and well-being; and be it further

RESOLVED, That copies of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Bishop Micheal A. Mitchell and his wife, First Lady Vivienne Mitchell.