

Legislation Text

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To Acknowledge the Many Accomplishments of Bishop Hezekiah Martin and Celebrate His 13th Pastoral Anniversary

**WHEREAS**, Bishop Hezekiah Martin has served as the Senior Pastor of the Southfield Community Missionary Baptist Church of Columbus, Ohio which has experienced an extraordinary growth of over 500 members and 38 new and reactivated ministries since his arrival in 2005. He previously served as Senior Pastor in Cincinnati, Ohio and El Paso, Texas; and

**WHEREAS**, Bishop Hezekiah Martin was called to into ministry at the age of 12 and has been serving in pastoral ministry for almost 25 years while also being an accomplished musician who has worked with Reverend James Moore & The Mississippi Mass Choir, the Late Bishop Walter Hawkins and the Late Bishop G.E. Patterson; and

**WHEREAS**, Bishop Hezekiah Martin serves in multiple ministries, including the Kingdom Connection Fellowship International as Secretary-General, Baptist Pastors Conference & Vicinity as recording secretary, a Commissioned Officer in the United States Air Force, and as the Midwest Provincial for the Global United Fellowship; and

WHEREAS, Bishop Hezekiah Martin has been honored as the 2009 Greater Columbus Pastor of the Year, 2011 Pastor of the Year from the Ohio Council of Christian Churches, Overflow Foundation Shepherd of the Year, was consecrated to the Office of Bishop by Bishop J Delano Ellis and served the South Columbus Area and Marion Franklin Civic Association; and

**WHEREAS**, Bishop Hezekiah Martin's outreach into the community has continually improved the climate of Columbus and has made significant contributions to it being the best place to live, work and raise a family; therefore,

**BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COLUMBUS:** That this Council does hereby acknowledge the many accomplishments of Bishop Hezekiah Martin, celebrate his 13<sup>th</sup> pastoral anniversary.