



1 HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, A Silver Pastoral Anniversary Celebration and a
3 Street Naming Ceremony in honor of Bishop Horace and Sister
4 Susan Smith was held on March 19 and 20, 2005, at Apostolic
5 Faith Church in Chicago; and

6 WHEREAS, Dr. Horace E. Smith received his formal training
7 in Chicago; he graduated an honor student from the Lindblom
8 High School and continued his education, receiving the
9 following degrees: Bachelor of Science (with honors), Chicago
10 State University (1971); M.D., the University of Illinois
11 Medical Center (1975); completion of Pediatric Residency,
12 University of Illinois Hospital (1978); and completion of
13 Clinical Fellowship in Pediatric Hematology/Oncology,
14 Children's Memorial Hospital/Northwestern University (1980);
15 and

16 WHEREAS, Dr. Smith is director of the Comprehensive Sickle
17 Cell/Thalassemia Program at Children's Memorial Hospital and
18 is recognized world-wide as an outstanding pediatrician in his
19 field, much sought after for his expertise by medical
20 professionals; and

21 WHEREAS, Dr. Smith serves on the Board of the historic
22 Wabash YMCA, which was purchased by four community churches,
23 including Apostolic Faith Church; the churches redeveloped and
24 reshaped the Y for community services, including SRO housing;
25 since 2001, Dr. Smith has also served as a Board Member of The
26 Family Institute at Northwestern University and as a member of
27 the University of Chicago Cancer Research Center-Community
28 Health Advisory Board; and

29 WHEREAS, In 2002, Bishop Smith and the Apostolic Faith
30 Church partnered with World Vision to sponsor orphaned children
31 whose parents died as a result of HIV/AIDS; to date,

1 approximately 300 children have been adopted by members of the
2 congregation; the Bishop and Mrs. Smith, along with World
3 Vision, have traveled to South Africa to view first-hand the
4 devastation caused by the AIDS virus; and

5 WHEREAS, Dr. Smith became pastor of the Apostolic Faith
6 Church on March 28, 1980, and was elevated to the office of
7 Bishop in August of 1997; in July of 2004, at the Annual
8 Convention of the Pentecostal Assemblies of the World, Inc., he
9 was elected Presiding Bishop of this organization; and

10 WHEREAS, In September of 1987, the Apostolic Faith Church
11 celebrated the opening of its new edifice at 3823 South Indiana
12 Avenue, a \$3,300,000 structure, with the mortgage being paid in
13 full in two years; the congregation Bishop Smith serves numbers
14 in excess of 3,000; at his Silver Anniversary Celebration, the
15 church will be dedicating Indiana Avenue in his honor; and

16 WHEREAS, Bishop Smith has been married since 1976 to Susan
17 Davenport Smith and they are the parents of three daughters;
18 therefore, be it

19 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
20 NINETY-FOURTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that
21 we congratulate Bishop Horace E. Smith, M.D., on the occasion
22 of his Silver Pastoral Anniversary Celebration and the street
23 naming in his honor; and be it further

24 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
25 presented to Bishop Smith as an expression of our respect and
26 esteem and with best wishes for many more years of success,
27 both in his church work and in the medical field.