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House Resolution 1593

By: Representative Greene of the 151st

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Recognizing and commending Reverend Freddie Starling; and for other purposes.
- 2 WHEREAS, Reverend Freddie Starling was born on December 14, 1941, in Cuthbert,
- 3 Georgia, to the late Eddie Starling and Trudie Starling Scott; and
- 4 WHEREAS, he attended Randolph County Schools and sought higher education at Spark
- 5 State Technical College in Eufaula, Alabama, and at Albany Technical College, in Cuthbert,
- 6 Georgia; he also attended Howard College School of Ministry; and
- 7 WHEREAS, throughout his early years and adult life, Reverend Starling has always been a
- 8 dedicated worker and provider for his family, church, and community; as a farm worker, a
- 9 self-taught carpenter, and laborer, he has dedicated in excess of 50 years of service; and
- 10 WHEREAS, he was employed as a production worker by Kellwood for 22 years, retiring in
- 11 1992; he would later work for the Randolph County Board of Education as a bus driver for
- 12 19 years, retiring in 2011; and
- 13 WHEREAS, in March 1979, Reverend Starling accepted the calling to go forth, preach, and
- spread the Gospel, and on April 16, 1979, he was licensed to minister by Pastor W.D.
- 15 Slaughter of Piney Grove Missionary Baptist Church; and
- 16 WHEREAS, he was ordained as a pastor upon the request of 2nd St. Luke Missionary Baptist
- 17 Church in Cuthbert, Georgia, in July 1980; and
- 18 WHEREAS, Reverend Starling now serves four churches, St. Kline Missionary Baptist
- 19 Church, Vilulah Missionary Baptist Church, Mt. Zion Missionary Baptist Church, and Union
- 20 Hill Missionary Baptist Church; and

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21 WHEREAS, he has been involved in various church organizations, including serving as vice

- 22 chairman and chairman of the Chattahoochee Baptist Union Meeting and as vice chairman,
- vice moderator, chairman, and moderator of the Home Missionary Baptist Association; and
- 24 WHEREAS, Reverend Starling is united in love and marriage to Mrs. Georgia Mae Holder
- 25 and has been blessed with four remarkable children, Yolanda Starling, Cheryl Starling
- 26 Miller, Bobby Starling, and Vatisha Starling, and six wonderful grandchildren, Choice
- 27 Fillingame III, Cholandria Fillingame, Janecia Starling, Zatisha Starling, Jordyn Prophet, and
- 28 Juwan Starling; and
- 29 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that this enduring example of God's message
- 30 of peace and love be recognized and congratulated for his innumerable good works rendered
- 31 on behalf of persons in need.
- 32 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
- 33 the members of this body recognize and commend Reverend Freddie Starling for his
- 34 unselfish dedication to his family, congregation, and community and express to him their
- 35 most sincere best wishes for continued success and happiness.
- 36 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
- 37 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Reverend Freddie Starling.