

## House Resolution 2063

By: Representatives Beasley-Teague of the 65<sup>th</sup>, Anderson of the 92<sup>nd</sup>, Stephenson of the 90<sup>th</sup>, Abrams of the 89<sup>th</sup>, and Dukes of the 154<sup>th</sup>

## A RESOLUTION

- 1 Recognizing and commending Bishop C.D. Gearing, Jr.; and for other purposes.
- 2 WHEREAS, Bishop C.D. Gearing, Jr., a native of Canton, Georgia, is an anointed preacher,  
3 teacher, and singer of the gospel who is known throughout the world as a man who boldly  
4 stands on and proclaims the Word of God; and
- 5 WHEREAS, since being called into the ministry at the tender age of 12, he has been laboring  
6 tirelessly for the call and cause of Christ; and
- 7 WHEREAS, Bishop Gearing, at the age of 14, preached at Olive Vine Baptist Church under  
8 the leadership of Pastor Lawson, and at the age of 19, he pastored two churches, Galilee  
9 Baptist Church and Tabernacle Baptist Church, on alternating Sundays; and
- 10 WHEREAS, after attending Gainesville College, Bishop Gearing went on to further his  
11 theological studies at Lutheran Bible College in Atlanta; he also holds an Honorary  
12 Doctorate degree from the New You Conference Center in New York; and
- 13 WHEREAS, he served as the first assistant treasurer and leader of the men's fellowship in  
14 the Atlanta Metro District of the Full Gospel; and
- 15 WHEREAS, Bishop Gearing has also served as the assistant moderator of the Hopewell  
16 Baptist Association, as president of the NAACP of Canton, Georgia, and as director of  
17 foreign missions for the National Full Gospel Fellowship; and
- 18 WHEREAS, Bishop Gearing is a tremendous leader who knows how to maximize the leaders  
19 around him, and he believes to be a preacher or pastor is to live what one preaches; and

20 WHEREAS, he is one who exhibits a drive in ministry by being able to help others become  
21 accountable stewards and effective leaders in their ministry roles; and

22 WHEREAS, in 1995, under the guidance of the Holy Ghost, Bishop Gearing broke down  
23 traditional and denominational barriers, transformed the ministry, and founded Zion Full  
24 Gospel World Ministries; and

25 WHEREAS, he has shepherded Zion Full Gospel World Ministries for 30 years, and during  
26 his time at Zion, he has ordained and licensed more than 132 preachers, including two of his  
27 own daughters, and 29 deacons.

28 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that  
29 the members of this body recognize and commend Bishop C.D. Gearing, Jr., for his  
30 dedication and commitment to his community and congregation.

31 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized  
32 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Bishop C.D. Gearing, Jr.