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Senate Resolution 51

By: Senator Harbin of the 16th

## A RESOLUTION

- 1 Recognizing and commending Pastor Glenn Stringham on the occasion of his retirement; and
- 2 for other purposes.
- 3 WHEREAS, Pastor Glenn Stringham has demonstrated his commitment to teaching the
- 4 Gospel, witnessing Christ through word and deed, and addressing the physical,
- 5 psychological, intellectual, and spiritual needs of others; and
- 6 WHEREAS, Pastor Stringham has served as pastor to senior adults at Fayetteville First
- 7 Baptist Church for the past 19 years; and
- 8 WHEREAS, he valiantly fought and protected this nation in the United States Army, serving
- 9 in Vietnam and being stationed in Pearl Harbor, Hawaii, where he also served on staff of
- 10 First Southern Baptist Church of Pearl Harbor, and after 22 years of service, he retired as a
- 11 lieutenant colonel; and
- 12 WHEREAS, Pastor Stringham served as pastor of Friendship Baptist Church in Jonesboro,
- 13 Georgia, for ten years prior to joining the staff of Fayetteville First Baptist Church; and
- 14 WHEREAS, he has led a life of service, volunteering as a disaster relief first responder,
- 15 rebuilding schools in Thailand after the Indonesian tsunami, leading mission trips in the
- 16 United States and abroad, organizing Fayette's annual Salute to Veterans, and working with
- 17 local schools to help families who need assistance at Thanksgiving and Christmas; and
- 18 WHEREAS, Pastor Stringham has led worship services at LaFayette Nursing Home for more
- 19 than 18 years and at Azalea Estates Assisted Living for more than 15 years; and
- 20 WHEREAS, he is united in love and marriage to his beautiful wife of more than 48 years,
- 21 Phyllis, and they have three amazing children, Leslie Longstreth, Sarah Vessell, and Kevin
- 22 Stringham, and ten wonderful grandchildren; and

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23 WHEREAS, whether the task is preparing a sermon, visiting the sick, counseling the

- 24 troubled, baptizing a new believer, or acting as a theologian, educator, administrator, or
- 25 humanitarian, Pastor Stringham serves as a shining example of God's righteous path; and
- 26 WHEREAS, the unmatched spiritual assistance offered by Pastor Stringham is a source of
- 27 strength and direction for persons in all walks of life and from all economic strata; and
- 28 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that this enduring example of God's message
- 29 of peace and love be recognized and congratulated for his innumerable good works rendered
- 30 on behalf of persons in need.
- 31 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body
- 32 recognize and commend Pastor Glenn Stringham on the wonderful occasion of his retirement
- and extend best wishes for many more years in which to serve the Lord.
- 34 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
- 35 to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Pastor Glenn Stringham.