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House Resolution

A resolution in recognition of Bishop Vaughn
Monroe McLaughlin.

WHEREAS, Vaughn Monroe McLaughlin was born on April 20,
1957, and

WHEREAS, raised and educated in Jacksonville, Florida,
Vaughn Monroe McLaughlin began his pastoral training in 1984
at Mt. Calvary Missionary Baptist Church and accepted his
first pastorate in 1987 in Green Cove Springs, Florida, and

WHEREAS, Vaughn Monroe McLaughlin obtained a Master's
Degree and a Doctorate in Theology from North Florida
Theological Seminary, and a Master of Ministry Degree from
Logos Bible College, and

WHEREAS, in 1988, Vaughn Monroe McLaughlin began what
is now a worldwide ministry known as the Potter's House
Christian Fellowship, and

WHEREAS, this ministry reaches people via weekly
television broadcasts, daily radio broadcasts, and numerous
outreach ministries, including jail and prison visitation
programs, nursing home and community outreach ministries, and
a Christian Academy, and

WHEREAS, beginning with approximately 50 members, the
ministry now has a membership of over 2,000, and the Christian
Academy has a current enrollment of over 300 students, and

WHEREAS, following years of mentoring other pastors,
Bishop-Elect Vaughn Monroe McLaughlin was appointed to the
office of Bishop on March 6, 1999, by Chief Prelate and
Presiding Bishop Donald Hilliard, Jr., of the Covenant
Ecumenical Fellowship and Cathedral Assemblies, and

1 WHEREAS, along with Bishop Hilliard, Bishop McLaughlin
2 serves as covering pastor for 18 other churches, and

3 WHEREAS, Bishop McLaughlin presently serves as
4 vice-chairman of the Jacksonville Pastors and Christian
5 Leaders Fellowship, president of the local campus of Logos
6 Christian College, board member of Gateway Community Services,
7 a substance abuse treatment center, Chairman of the Board of
8 Impact House, a rehabilitation center for convicted teens,
9 board member of television station ACTS, and board member of
10 Prisoners of Christ Ministries, and

11 WHEREAS, Bishop McLaughlin has also served as chapel
12 speaker for the Jacksonville Jaguars and other National
13 Football League teams, and

14 WHEREAS, it is fitting and appropriate that the Florida
15 House of Representatives recognize Bishop Vaughn Monroe
16 McLaughlin, NOW, THEREFORE,

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18 Be It Resolved by the House of Representatives of the State of
19 Florida:

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21 That the House of Representatives of the State of
22 Florida hereby recognizes Bishop Vaughn Monroe McLaughlin for
23 his many years of dedicated service and ministry to the people
24 of North Florida.

25 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution
26 be presented to Bishop Vaughn Monroe McLaughlin as a tangible
27 token of the sentiments expressed herein.

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