

STATE OF OKLAHOMA

2nd Session of the 47th Legislature (2000)

SENATE CONCURRENT
RESOLUTION 75

By: Monson of the Senate

and

Cox and Toure of the House

AS INTRODUCED

A Concurrent Resolution honoring Bishop Frederick Hilborn Talbot; congratulating him upon the occasion of his July 2000 retirement; and directing distribution.

WHEREAS, Frederick Hilborn Talbot was elected the 90th Bishop of the African Methodist Episcopal Church in 1972. He currently serves as Bishop and Chief Pastor of the 12th Episcopal District, with headquarters in North Little Rock Arkansas, having jurisdiction over the Arkansas and Oklahoma areas. Bishop Talbot will conclude his duties as Bishop in July of this year; and

WHEREAS, Frederick Hilborn Talbot graduated from Allen University, Yale Divinity School, the Pacific School of Religion, and Columbia Theological Seminary. He also served as a Resident Fellow at Harvard University; and

WHEREAS, Frederick Hilborn Talbot served in the Diplomatic Service of the Government of Guyana as former Ambassador to the United Nations; and

WHEREAS, Bishop Frederick H. Talbot has authored the book "African American Worship" which was published by Fairway Press. The volume was met with critical acclaim. He also authored "New Eyes For Seeing" regarding the revitalization of Christian worship in Georgia. Bishop Talbot co-authored "The Wanted Child" a study of

family planning in the Caribbean and "Guiana Sings" a book of folk songs; and

WHEREAS, Bishop Frederick Hilborn Talbot was instrumental in the relief effort to aid those affected by the tornado that struck near Birmingham, Alabama, in April 1998. Donations from Arkansas included new clothing, food, paper goods and other items essential for recovery from the twister; and

WHEREAS, Bishop Frederick Hilborn Talbot, composer, poet, educator, author, humanitarian and church leader will soon be retiring from his position of authority with the African Methodist Episcopal Church in July 2000.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE 2ND SESSION OF THE 47TH OKLAHOMA LEGISLATURE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING THEREIN:

THAT the Oklahoma State Legislature honors Bishop Frederick Hilborn Talbot for his demonstrated leadership and scholarship in the African American religious community.

THAT the Oklahoma State Legislature congratulates Bishop Frederick Hilborn Talbot upon the occasion of his retirement in July 2000.

THAT a copy of this resolution be distributed to Bishop Frederick Hilborn Talbot and Dr. Sylvia Ross Talbot.

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