

STATE OF OKLAHOMA

2nd Session of the 50th Legislature (2006)

SENATE  
RESOLUTION 126

By: Johnson (Constance)

AS INTRODUCED

A Resolution commending Reverend W.B. Parker for his many achievements; congratulating him upon the occasion of his 44th Anniversary as Pastor of the Loving Saint James Baptist Church in Spencer, Oklahoma; and directing distribution.

WHEREAS, W.B. Parker was born on a farm in Eagletown, Oklahoma, a small community in the southeastern corner of the State. He graduated from Dunbar High School in Broken Bow, from Langston University Cum Laude with a Bachelor of Science Degree in Agriculture, and from Oklahoma State University with a Master of Science Degree in Agriculture Education. He has also taken postgraduate courses in counseling from the University of Central Oklahoma; and

WHEREAS, W.B. Parker spent a quarter of a century teaching vocational agriculture, general science, mathematics, and physics at Dunjee High School where he was also the sponsor of the Future Farmers of America; and

WHEREAS, the Reverend W.B. Parker attended Johnson Memorial Bible School in Oklahoma City and the Oklahoma School of Religion in Langston, Oklahoma. He has served as Pastor of the Douglas Baptist Church and the Loving St. James Baptist Church in Spencer, Oklahoma, for a total of 46 years. He will have served 44 years as Pastor of the Loving St. James Baptist Church on June 4, 2006; and

WHEREAS, W.B. Parker founded and incorporated Operation Cloud of Witness (OCW) which assists the Oklahoma City School System. He also founded and incorporated State Community Organization for

Education (SCOPE) to support Langston University and the Opportunities Industrialization Center. W.B. Parker's community leadership resulted in his 2005 induction into the Oklahoma Afro-American Hall of Fame; and

WHEREAS, Pastor W. B. Parker lives by the motto: "What you give lives". What Pastor Parker has given has been counsel and concern for the progress of his community, city, and state. He has been an active participant and leader in the fight for equity and justice for the disadvantaged. His concern for the physical, educational, and spiritual well-being of African Americans and all underprivileged people is legendary.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE 2ND SESSION OF THE 50TH OKLAHOMA LEGISLATURE:

THAT the Oklahoma State Senate commends Reverend W.B. Parker for his many achievements throughout a lifetime of service to his community.

THAT the Oklahoma State Senate congratulates Reverend W.B. Parker upon the occasion of his 44th Anniversary as Pastor of the Loving Saint James Baptist Church in Spencer, Oklahoma, on June 4, 2006.

THAT a copy of this resolution be distributed to Pastor W.B. Parker.

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