

THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Tuesday, April 13, 2010

ENGROSSED

Senate Concurrent
Resolution No. 54

ENGROSSED SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 54 - By: NEWBERRY, STANISLAWSKI, ADELSON, ALDRIDGE, ANDERSON, BALLENGER, BARRINGTON, BASS, BINGMAN, BRANAN, BROGDON, BROWN, BURRAGE, COATES, COFFEE, CORN, CRAIN, CRUTCHFIELD, EASLEY, EASON MCINTYRE, ELLIS, FORD, GARRISON, GUMM, HALLIGAN, IVESTER, JOHNSON (CONSTANCE), JOHNSON (MIKE), JOLLEY, JUSTICE, LAMB, LASTER, LEFTWICH, LERBLANCE, MARLATT, MAZZEI, MYERS, NICHOLS, PADDACK, REYNOLDS, RICE, RUSSELL, SCHULZ, SPARKS, SWEEDEN, SYKES, WILSON AND WYRICK of the Senate and SULLIVAN AND WRIGHT (JOHN) of the House.

A Concurrent Resolution celebrating the life of Pastor Billy Joe Daugherty; commending his accomplishments; and directing distribution.

- 1 WHEREAS, Billy Joe Daugherty was born April 23, 1952. He attended Oral
2 Roberts University in Tulsa, Oklahoma, graduating with a bachelors degree in Christian
3 Education and later a Doctor of Theology. In the 1970s he served as Youth Minister at
4 Sheridan Christian Center in Tulsa, Oklahoma, becoming its Senior Pastor in 1976; and
5 WHEREAS, by 1980 attendance had grown from 400 to 2,000 and with the blessing
6 of the board, Pastor Daugherty founded what is now Victory Christian Center, which
7 currently has over 17,000 members; and

1 WHEREAS, in 2005, Pastor Daugherty was assaulted during an altar call, which
2 produced a black eye and cut that required several stitches. Pastor Daugherty visited his
3 assailant, forgave the man, and authored a book about the incident: “Knocked Down But
4 Not Out”; and

5 WHEREAS, besides founding Victory Christian Center, Pastor Daugherty founded
6 Victory Christian School, serving over 1700 students; The Tulsa Dream Center; and the
7 Victory Bible Institute which has more than 900 campuses in 93 countries; and

8 WHEREAS, Pastor Daugherty’s television program, “Victory in Jesus”, reached
9 more than 100 million households in North America, with satellite and Internet
10 distribution worldwide. Along with his wife and co-pastor Sharon Daugherty, he has
11 authored more than a dozen inspirational books; and

12 WHEREAS, Pastor Daugherty was one of America’s best-known and most
13 charismatic pastors. He preached that "God loves you, sin separates you from God, Jesus
14 died for your sins, you can be saved by confessing Jesus is Lord"; and

15 WHEREAS, Pastor Billy Joe Daugherty at the age of 57 “graduated into heaven” on
16 Sunday, November 22, 2009. A memorial service attended by thousands was held
17 November 30, 2009. Pastors from all over the world spoke at the service to celebrate his
18 life.

19 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE 2ND
20 SESSION OF THE 52ND OKLAHOMA LEGISLATURE, THE HOUSE OF
21 REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING THEREIN:

1 THAT the Oklahoma State Legislature celebrates the life and legacy of Pastor Billy
2 Joe Daugherty, a dedicated family man, a gifted leader, a tireless spokesman for the
3 gospel, a great Oklahoman, and a great man of God.

4 THAT the Oklahoma State Legislature commends the late Pastor Billy Joe
5 Daugherty, a man whose efforts bettered the lives of people all over the world, for his
6 extraordinary legacy of ministry and service not just in Tulsa but far beyond the borders
7 of Oklahoma.

8 THAT a copy of this resolution be distributed to Pastor Billy Joe Daugherty's wife,
9 Sharon Daugherty, who now serves as Senior Pastor of Victory Christian Center;
10 daughters, Ruthie Sanders and Sarah Wehrli; sons, Paul and John Daugherty; and
11 mother, Iru Daugherty.

12 DIRECT TO CALENDAR.