

IN THE COUNTY LEGISLATURE OF JACKSON COUNTY, MISSOURI

A RESOLUTION honoring Dr. Harry Blake, a pastor, civic leader, activist, and featured speaker at the Eighth Annual Kansas City Urban Summit.

RESOLUTION NO. 18768, March 16, 2015

INTRODUCED BY Alfred Jordan, County Legislator

WHEREAS, the Dr. Harry Blake, will be the featured speaker at the Civil Rights Reflections event to be held at the Eighth Annual Urban Summit, on March 27, 2015; and,

WHEREAS, since 1966, Dr. Blake has served as pastor of the Mount Canaan Baptist Church of Shreveport, Louisiana; and,

WHEREAS, Dr. Blake is President Emeritus of the Louisiana Baptist State Convention and, in 2009, was appointed Vice President for the Southwest Region of the National Baptist Convention, USA, Inc.; and,

WHEREAS, Dr. Blake received an Honorary Doctorate of Humanities from Louisiana Baptist University and a Lifetime Achievement Award from the Louisiana Democratic Party; and,

WHEREAS, Dr. Blake has served as General Secretary of the National Baptist Convention, USA, Inc., moderator of the Thirteenth District Baptist Association, Dean and Vice President at-Large of the Congress of Christian Education of the Louisiana

Baptist State Convention, and Chairman of the Evangelical Board of the Louisiana Baptist State Convention; and,

WHEREAS, Dr. Blake has numerous civic involvements, including membership on the Louisiana Recovery Authority Board, President of Canaan Village Apartments, a low income housing complex, President of Canaan Towers, a senior citizen/handicap housing complex, and President of Project UpLift, a center for the development of human potential; and,

WHEREAS, Dr. Blake also serves on the board of directors for Shreveport Bossier Community Renewal and is past president of the NAACP, past president of the Mount Canaan Day Care Center, and past director of the Excel PUSH Auxiliary; and,

WHEREAS, Dr. Blake and his wife, the former Norma Jean Jernigan, have four children and sixteen grandchildren; now therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED by the County Legislature of Jackson County, Missouri, that the Legislature hereby honors and expresses its gratitude to the Dr. Harry Blake, for his dedicated service to the community.

Effective Date: This Resolution shall be effective immediately upon its passage by a majority of the Legislature.

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Gay D. Haden
Chief Deputy County Counselor

W. [Signature]
County Counselor

Certificate of Passage

I hereby certify that the attached resolution, Resolution No. 18768 of March 16, 2015, was duly passed on March 16, 2015 by the Jackson County Legislature. The votes thereon were as follows:

Yeas 9

Nays 0

Abstaining 0

Absent 0

3.16.15
Date

Mary Jo Spino
Mary Jo Spino, Clerk of Legislature