



2021 Assembly Joint Resolution 49

ENROLLED JOINT RESOLUTION

Relating to: honoring the life and service of Pastor Jerome Smith Sr.

Whereas, Pastor Jerome Smith Sr., a faithful servant of Milwaukee, passed away after twenty-four years of service to his community; and

Whereas, Pastor Smith’s years of service in Milwaukee have been marked by outstanding accomplishments, including the establishment of the Greater Praise Church of God in Christ and the creation of the Joseph Project through said church; and

Whereas, Pastor Smith was directly responsible for many projects and developments that positively affect all of Milwaukee, including the Joseph Project, which, through the Greater Praise Church of God in Christ, provides employment opportunities, job training, transportation, and interview skills; and

Whereas, Pastor Smith served his community in many capacities: pastor of the Greater Praise Church, founder of the Joseph Project, Trustee, Boys League President, Pastor’s Aid President, Men Department President, Chairman of GSAC, Sunday School Teacher, Property Manager, Finance Committee Chair, District Public Relations, District Purity, District Missions President, Jurisdictional Missions Department Chairman, and Jurisdictional Home and Foreign Missions President; and

Whereas, Pastor Smith is survived by his wife of thirty years, Markeitha, his children, Lakeitha, Joyce, Jerome Jr., Donna, and Denise, and many grandchildren; had many hobbies, especially spending time with family members and his church community; was a giver, which was evident in his pastoral career; and made a lasting impact on his community through selflessness and passion for Milwaukee; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the assembly, the senate concurring, That the Wisconsin Legislature does hereby honor the life of Pastor Jerome Smith Sr. and commend him for his service to Milwaukee that has left an indelible mark on the city.

Senator Chris Kapenga
President of the Senate

Representative Robin J. Vos
Speaker of the Assembly

Date

Edward A. Blazel
Assembly Chief Clerk