

**RESOLUTION NO. 13-336**

**WHEREAS**, the City Council and Mayor of the City of Huntsville, Alabama, are apprised of the celebration of the appointment of Dr. Terrell Harris, Jr., to the position of Fourth Administrative Assistant to the Bishop, Alabama First Ecclesiastical Jurisdiction of the Church of God in Christ (COGIC). The celebration is to take place on Tuesday, May 14, 2013, at 6:00 p.m. at the True Light Church of God in Christ, Harris Family Life Center; and,

**WHEREAS**, guest speaker for this celebratory occasion is Bishop Oscar L. Meadows, the loved, respected and anointed Presiding Prelate of Alabama First Ecclesiastical Jurisdiction of the Churches of God in Christ, whose most humbling characteristics are the love and care he exhibits to the membership of Alabama First Ecclesiastical Jurisdiction and to humanity as a whole; and,

**WHEREAS**, Superintendent Harris was the oldest son born to the late Terrell Harris, Sr., and Unareed Burton Harris. He is one of nine children, five sisters and three brothers; and,

**WHEREAS**, Superintendent Harris received his Doctorate and Master of Divinity from the International Seminary, Orlando, Florida, and his Bachelor of Science Degree in Mathematics with emphasis on Computer Science from Jackson State University, Jackson, Mississippi. Since that time he has taken graduate courses in the field of Computer Science at Alabama A & M University, Normal, Alabama. He has also received a diploma in Pastoral Theology from the C. H. Mason System of Bible Colleges, Huntsville Campus; and,

**WHEREAS**, he has been a faithful worker in the church since accepting the Lord Jesus Christ as his personal savior. Dr. Harris has served the Huntsville District COGIC for the past 15 years, after the death of former Superintendent Dave Draper, Sr. He has worked faithfully and tirelessly with the Jurisdiction, serving in other various capacities, including membership on the General Board. He is currently Superintendent of the Huntsville District COGIC (overseer of nine churches), President of the Department of Education - Huntsville District, former dean and teacher of the O. L. Meadows School of Ministry (OLMSOM) formally the C. H. Mason System of Bible Colleges, Huntsville Campus, Jurisdictional General Board Member and was appointed to his new position in March 2013. He will celebrate 35 years this year as pastor of the True Light Church of God in Christ of which he is the founder. He retired from Computer Sciences Corporation (CSC) in January 2003, and now enjoys full-time employment for the Lord; and,

**WHEREAS**, Dr. Harris is happily married to Dr. Hattie Pearl Jones Harris, and they celebrated 45 years of marriage in December 2012. They are the proud parents of Apostle Derek Terrell Harris, Trudy Harris Moore and Mark Christopher Harris, and the proud grandparents of Chelsea, Christopher and Kentiara; and,

**WHEREAS**, Dr. Harris' character is one of trustworthiness, respect, responsibility, fairness, integrity, caring and citizenship, and is an example of the gospel he preaches.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the City Council and Mayor of the City of Huntsville, Alabama, express heartiest congratulations to Dr. Terrell Harris, Jr., upon his appointment to the position of Fourth Administrative Assistant to the Bishop, Alabama First Ecclesiastical Jurisdiction of the Church of God in Christ. Best wishes for every success in your new position and all future endeavors.

ADOPTED this the 9th day of May, 2013.

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President of the City Council of  
the City of Huntsville, Alabama.

APPROVED this the 9th day of May, 2013.

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Mayor of the City of Huntsville,  
Alabama