

RESOLUTION NO. 13 - 553

WHEREAS, the City Council and Mayor of the City of Huntsville, Alabama, are pleased to congratulate and honor Pastor Johnny and Mrs. Lucile Burrell of the Pentecostal Lighthouse Church upon their 50th Wedding Anniversary and their 70th Birthday Celebration. Their children, family and friends celebrated this glorious event with them at the Bob Harrison Senior Center Ballroom on July 14, 2013; and,

WHEREAS, Pastor Johnny Burrell was born in Demopolis, Alabama, July 19, 1943 and Lucile Burrell, formerly Lucile Core, was born in Birmingham, Alabama, June 3, 1943. The couple met while attending Emmanuel Temple Church in Birmingham and was married June 8, 1963. They are the proud parents of five children: Anthony, Melinda, Reginald, Regina, and Gregg; and,

WHEREAS, in 1970 while in Birmingham, Johnny Burrell was called into the ministry. The couple moved to Decatur, Alabama, in 1972. There Johnny became the Assistant Pastor at Pentecostal House of Prayer. A few years later in 1975, he was led by God to begin a ministry in Huntsville, Alabama. He did as God instructed and moved his wife and five children to Huntsville. This was the beginning of the Pentecostal Lighthouse Church. Beginning with only seven members in 1975, membership at Pentecostal Lighthouse Church now exceeds 200. Pastor Burrell and his wife, Lucile, are an anointed duo that God is using to make a difference in the lives of people and their community; and,

WHEREAS, having been in the ministry for thirty-eight years, Pastor Johnny and Lucile have taught and led thousands of souls to Christ. Many of those led to Christ have gone on to teach and established ministries in other locations; and,

WHEREAS, with his loving wife by his side, Pastor Burrell has received much recognition and many accolades. He was presented an Honorary Doctorate of Divinity from Pentecostal Bible College in Tuskegee, Alabama, January 1986. In October 2010, he received his Doctorate of Theology from the Apostolic Theological Bible College. In that same year he received a Community Service Day Award from Madison Mission Seventh Day Adventist Church. In the years 2007, 2009, and 2010 Pastor Burrell received the City of Huntsville Community Development Award for Emergency Home Repair.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council and Mayor of the City of Huntsville, Alabama, hereby acknowledge, salute, and express congratulations to Pastor Johnny Burrell and his lovely wife, Lucile Burrell on their 70th birthdays and their 50th Wedding Anniversary. We wish them many more wonderful years together and much success in all future endeavors.

ADOPTED on this the 25th day of July, 2013.

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

APPROVED on this the 25th day of July, 2013.

Mayor of the City of Huntsville, Alabama