

Resolution

DATE: October 24, 2015

STATE OF TEXAS §

COUNTY OF DALLAS §



Christian Stronghold Church 20th Anniversary

BE IT REMEMBERED, that Dr. Theresa M. Daniel, Commissioner of District 1, presents this resolution to Christian Stronghold Church on the 24th day of **October, 2015**:

WHEREAS, Christian Stronghold Church proudly celebrates its 20th Anniversary during the month of October in 2015. Together, Pastor Hal Johnson, Sr. and First Lady Sheila Johnson, dedicate their lives to leading and serving in the name of the Lord; and

WHEREAS, Founded in 1995, by Pastor Hal Johnson, Sr., Christian Stronghold Church began as a small home-based bible study group and is now a thriving congregation of over 400 members. The Christian Stronghold Church name was inspired by the bible verse, Nahum 1:7 and reads: *"The Lord is good, a stronghold in the day of trouble, and He knoweth them that trust in Him"*; and

WHEREAS, In 1997, Christian Stronghold Church furthered its presence in the community by launching the Stronghold Community Development Corporation (SCDC) – a faith-based nonprofit created to offer the community programs in the critical areas of life skills, job readiness, youth mentoring, and drug counseling; and

WHEREAS, The Stronghold Community Development Corporation was designated a *Site of Promise* through America's Promise in 2004 for doing work in the community that delivers on *The Five Promises* – "A promise to young Americans that they will grow up with the help and guidance of caring adult relationships, healthy childhoods, safe surroundings, effective education and opportunities to serve others." This work gained Pastor Hal Johnson, Sr. national recognition at the National Promise of America Awards presented by The Alliance for Youth hosted by First Lady Laura Bush at the White House; and

WHEREAS, Today, the Christian Stronghold Church is proud to call the Buckner Terrace neighborhood home and continues to serve and uplift the community, "Standing on the Promises of God." Christian Stronghold Church ministers to the community through a food and clothing pantry, youth mentoring services, and above all, by sharing the word of God with His people.

Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved That on behalf of the Dallas County Commissioners Court, I do hereby congratulate Christian Stronghold Church for celebrating 20 years of service to the community and recognizes its achievements leading up to this important milestone in their rich history. May Christian Stronghold Church continue to uphold the five pillars that drive its ministry - fellowship, discipleship, worship, ministry, and evangelism.

Signed this 24th day of October, 2015, in Dallas County, Texas

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Dr. Theresa M. Daniel", is written over a horizontal line.

Dr. Theresa M. Daniel
Dallas County Commissioner, District 1