

RESOLUTION NO. 1988-95

EXPRESSING APPRECIATION TO REVEREND LUTHER F. HILL  
FOR HIS OUTSTANDING DEVOTION AND LEADERSHIP  
UPON HIS APPOINTMENT AS PASTOR EMERITUS OF THE  
MT. SINAI BAPTIST CHURCH IN CLEVELAND, OHIO

WHEREAS, Reverend Luther F. Hill first entered the ministry in 1934 as assistant to his late father, Reverend David W. Hill; and

WHEREAS, Reverend Luther F. Hill served in the Chaplains Corps of the United States Army in World War II, serving as the first black officer assigned to Fort Belvoir, Virginia, and also serving in England and the Philippine Islands ; and

WHEREAS, Reverend Luther F. Hill rose to the rank of Lieutenant Colonel in the United States Army Reserves, earned a law degree in 1950 from Cleveland Marshall Law School, and received an honorary Doctor of Divinity degree from the Institute of the African Methodist Episcopal Church in Monrovia, Liberia; and

WHEREAS, Reverend Luther F. Hill was elected Pastor in January, 1950, in which capacity he remained for 38 years creating truly a "Legend in Service"; and

WHEREAS, Reverend Luther F. Hill has seen the Mt. Sinai Baptist Church grow from 300 members to over 2,000 during the years of his leadership, and that church has built a \$1.5 million sanctuary and retired the mortgage in 14 years; and

WHEREAS, Reverend Luther F. Hill was instrumental in the establishment of the Mt. Sinai Baptist Church Credit Union, Inc. which today is the largest Protestant credit union in the state of Ohio; and

WHEREAS, Reverend Luther F. Hill has dutifully served as a trustee of the Greater Cleveland Regional Transit Authority since 1982; and

WHEREAS, Reverend Luther F. Hill has served as an active member in numerous civic, religious and fraternal organizations; and

WHEREAS, Reverend Luther F. Hill was recognized on April 16, 1988, for completing thirty-eight (38) years of outstanding leadership and devotion as pastor of the aforesaid Mt. Sinai Baptist Church.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Trustees of the Greater Cleveland Regional Transit Authority, Cuyahoga County, Ohio:


Section 1. That the most sincere appreciation is hereby extended to Reverend Luther F. Hill for his loyal devotion, leadership and accomplishments in his loyal devotion, leadership, and accomplishments in his long and distinguished career in the ministry.

Section 2. That the Board of Trustees offers its best wishes to Reverend Luther F. Hill for the future in his continuing career as pastor emeritus and that he may enjoy long life and happiness.

Section 3. That the General Manager is hereby directed to have a memorialization of the Resolution certified and presented to Reverend Luther F. Hill as a symbol of gratitude.

Section 4. That this Resolution is effective immediately upon its adoption.

Adopted: April 19, 1988

  
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President (Vice)

Attest:   
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Asst. Secretary-Treasurer