

**PROCLAMATION
Honoring**

El Bethel Church

WHEREAS, the Free Will Missionary Baptist Church was established in Detroit in 1940 under the Reverend E. M. Moore and became El Bethel Missionary Baptist Church in 1942; and,

WHEREAS, in 1973 because of a nearby school expansion, El Bethel was forced to relocate and moved to 15340 Puritan in Detroit; and,

WHEREAS, in 1979, due to the failing health of Pastor Moore, Reverend R. Franklin Latimer came to El Bethel to assist and was elected Pastor in 1983 where he served until 1989. Pastor Latimer was succeeded by interim Pastor, the Reverend Sherman Johnson and Pastor Lawrence C. Glass in 1990 who presides to this day; and,

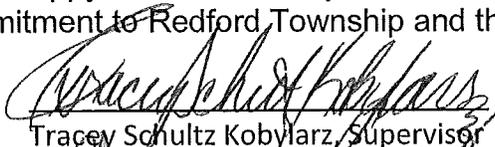
WHEREAS, Prompted by a growing membership and continued blessings, El Bethel moved to its current location at 25295 Grand River in Redford Township, Michigan; and,

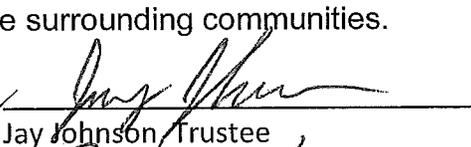
WHEREAS, for years, El Bethel has provided regular religious and community services for those in Southeast Michigan; and,

WHEREAS, El Bethel has serviced the needs of the people through the formation of various ministries; and,

WHEREAS, locally is an active member of the Redford Interfaith Food Relief and Redford Township Chamber of Commerce and active in the community at various events throughout the year.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Charter Township of Redford Board of Trustees wishes a Happy 75th Anniversary to El Bethel Church, and congratulates its members and staff for their commitment to Redford Township and the surrounding communities.

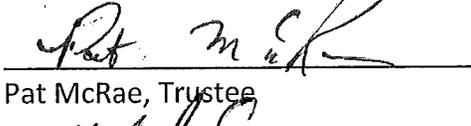

Tracey Schultz Kobylarz, Supervisor

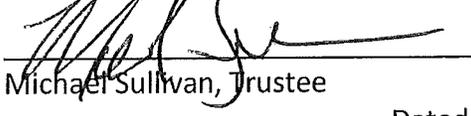

Jay Johnson, Trustee

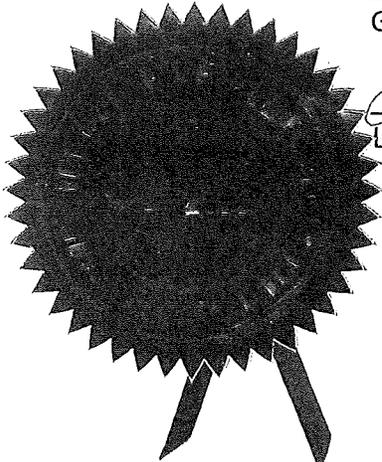

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Dated: April 10, 2015