

RESOLUTION

COMMENDING DR. THOMAS T. SHIELDS, SR.

WHEREAS, Dr. Thomas T. Shields was called as Pastor of the historic First Baptist Church, Williamsburg, in November 1982 and during his tenure, the Church has continued its role as a leader in the religious and civic life of the community; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Shields has served as President of the Williamsburg Clergy Fellowship, the Tri-County Pastors Association, President of Area II Ministers Council for the American Baptist Churches of the South, and member of the Board of Directors, Williamsburg Pastoral Counseling Center; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Shields is a past First Vice President of the local NAACP, former member of the Community Action Board of Directors, former local chair of the Souther Christian Leadership Council, former chair of the Schools Minority Achievement Committee, and served on the Board of Trustees of Thomas Nelson Community College; and

WHEREAS, he has been honored for his achievements and contributions to the community by the Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity and The Williamsburg Men's Club, and has received the Public Schools Friends of Education Award and the Virginia Leadership Award from former Governor James Gilmore; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Shields will retire from the First Baptist Pastorate on December 31, 2002, after 20 years of service to the Church and after more than 37 years in the ministry.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Supervisors of James City County, Virginia, does hereby commend Dr. Thomas T. Shields, Sr., for his service to the First Baptist Church and to the community and does wish Dr. Shields a long and happy retirement.

James G. Kennedy
Chairman, Board of Supervisors

ATTEST:

Sanford B. Wanner
Clerk to the Board

Adopted by the Board of Supervisors of James City County, Virginia, this 22nd day of October, 2002.

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