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R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Valley Spring United Methodist Church in Llano  
2 County is marking the 120th anniversary of its historic house of  
3 worship in 2023; and

4 WHEREAS, The congregation was first organized in 1881 as  
5 Methodist Episcopal Church South; constructing its first sanctuary  
6 on land deeded to the congregation by Sarah Phillips, the church  
7 sold the land back to the original owner in 1902, and the structure  
8 became an annex for the one-room school in Valley Spring; that same  
9 year, M. G. and Phena Owen deeded two lots on Main Street to the  
10 congregation, and in 1903 the church built a new wooden sanctuary  
11 with a metal roof and a bell and steeple over the front doors, where  
12 it continues to hold services today; and

13 WHEREAS, Over the years, Valley Spring United Methodist  
14 Church has benefited from the dedicated efforts of many outstanding  
15 clergy, and the church has provided a setting for important rites of  
16 passage in the lives of area residents; and

17 WHEREAS, Valley Spring UMC has long served as a source of  
18 inspiration and guidance to those who worship there, and the  
19 continued existence of its historic church home is a testament to  
20 the unwavering commitment of its members, both past and present;  
21 now, therefore, be it

22 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 88th Texas  
23 Legislature hereby honor Valley Spring United Methodist Church in  
24 Llano County on the occasion of the 120th anniversary of the

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1 church's sanctuary and extend to its congregants sincere best  
2 wishes for the future; and, be it further

3       RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be  
4 prepared for the church as an expression of high regard by the Texas  
5 House of Representatives.