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RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, The congregation of Bellmead Calvary Baptist Church
is marking the 50th anniversary of its founding in August 2003; and

3 WHEREAS, Located near Waco in McLennan County, the church was 4 established in August 1953 with eight charter members under the 5 leadership of the Reverend Sullivan G. Wallis, who guided the 6 church during its first 22 years; and

7 WHEREAS, Congregants initially met in a large house at LaVega 8 and Bellmead Drive and then held services in a commercial building 9 before constructing an edifice at the corner of Latimer and Fisher; 10 as the membership has grown, the church's physical plant has 11 undergone repeated expansion; the current sanctuary was dedicated 12 in 1997, and further additions are planned; and

WHEREAS, Today, the dynamic congregation is led by its third pastor, the Reverend James G. Adams, affectionately known as "Brother Jimmy," who succeeded the Reverend Gene Wolfenbarger in 1977; inspired by this highly regarded clergyman, Bellmead Calvary Baptist Church offers support, hope, and guidance through various ministries and programs of benefit to the membership and the greater community; now, therefore, be it

20 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 78th Texas 21 Legislature, 1st Called Session, hereby congratulate the Reverend 22 James G. Adams and the laity of Bellmead Calvary Baptist Church on 23 the joyous occasion of the 50th anniversary of the congregation's 24 founding and extend to all those associated with the church best

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1 wishes for a memorable and fulfilling commemoration; and, be it 2 further

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