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R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, The members of First Baptist Church of Midland are
2 celebrating the 50th anniversary of this venerable institution's
3 location at its present site on June 5-6, 2004; and

4 WHEREAS, Organized in the late 1800s, First Baptist Church of
5 Midland has existed at its current location since 1954; today, it is
6 home to the Permian Basin's largest single Christian congregation;
7 and

8 WHEREAS, Each week, some 3,000 Midland-area residents
9 participate in worship services, religious study, and fellowship
10 through the church's many offerings; in addition, church services
11 are broadcast to thousands of people in the western United States
12 via radio and television; and

13 WHEREAS, Thanks to the faithful efforts of former pastor Dr.
14 L. L. Morriss, current pastor Gary Dyer, and the many individuals
15 who contribute to the success of this esteemed place of worship,
16 First Baptist Church of Midland continues to benefit countless
17 citizens in West Texas and beyond; now, therefore, be it

18 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 78th Texas
19 Legislature, 4th Called Session, hereby recognize the 50th
20 anniversary of the First Baptist Church of Midland's location at
21 its present site and extend best wishes to Pastor Gary Dyer and the
22 church's congregation for a memorable anniversary celebration;
23 and, be it further

24 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be

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1 prepared for the church as an expression of high regard by the Texas
2 House of Representatives.