

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Plum Street United Methodist Church in Abilene is
2 celebrating a momentous milestone with the observance of its
3 centennial on October 30, 2005; and

4 WHEREAS, The congregation was organized as St. Paul Methodist
5 Church by a small, devoted group of Christians, including A. B.
6 Johnson, Abe Anderson, Larkin Smith, Rosie Crawford, and Ivy
7 Brooks, under the guidance of the Reverend R. B. Isom; in time, this
8 historic church was renamed Plum Street United Methodist; and

9 WHEREAS, Though parishioners met initially in a private home,
10 they soon bought a lot at 541 Plum Street from the Texas and Pacific
11 Railway and erected a sanctuary; later, in the mid-20th century,
12 church members constructed a new building at Sixth Street and Plum;
13 and

14 WHEREAS, Blessed with the leadership of many fine individuals
15 throughout its history, Plum Street UMC is shepherded today by the
16 Reverend Iziar Lankford, a valued teacher, counselor, and stalwart
17 friend; and

18 WHEREAS, Since its founding, Plum Street UMC has served as a
19 haven of hope and support for many members of the Abilene community,
20 and it is a distinct pleasure to honor this steadfast community of
21 faith; now, therefore, be it

22 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 79th Texas
23 Legislature, 1st Called Session, hereby congratulate the pastor and
24 congregation of Plum Street United Methodist Church on its

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1 centennial and extend to them warmest wishes for the future; and, be
2 it further

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

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 352 was adopted by the House on July 17, 2005, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House