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RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, Members and friends of Gilbert Memorial Christian 2 Methodist Episcopal Church in Wichita Falls are celebrating the

100th anniversary of the church's founding with a special service

4 on March 20, 2005; and

5 WHEREAS, The first African American Methodist congregation

organized in Wichita Falls, Gilbert Memorial also holds the

distinction of being the second-oldest African American church in

8 the city; and

9 WHEREAS, For 100 years, Gilbert Memorial Christian Methodist

Episcopal Church has been a blessing in the lives of all who have

worshipped as its congregants and to those it has served throughout

the community, and it is a pleasure to join in honoring the church

on this momentous milestone in its rich history; now, therefore, be

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RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 79th Texas

16 Legislature hereby heartily congratulate Gilbert Memorial

Christian Methodist Episcopal Church in Wichita Falls on its

18 centennial and extend to all involved sincere best wishes for the

19 future; and, be it further

20 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be

prepared for the church as an expression of high regard by the Texas

22 House of Representatives.