

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, The Highland Oaks Church of Christ in Dallas will be
2 celebrating its 150th Anniversary on August 6, 2005; and

3 WHEREAS, On August 6, 1855, leaders in the city of Dallas and
4 six families, including the families of John Higgs Cole, Benjamin
5 Franklin Hall, William Henry Hord, William Brown Miller, Jefferson
6 Peak, and Harvey Shepherd, came together and formed a church to
7 share a common belief and to offer worship to God; and

8 WHEREAS, After meeting in private homes and at the
9 courthouse, the group was joined by the families of James J.
10 Collins, John J. Eakins, Colby Smith, Dr. John Saunders, Barton
11 Warren Stone, John Fletcher, M. M. Morrow, William Morton, and Dr.
12 I. L. Van Zandt; and

13 WHEREAS, In 1863 Mr. Charles Carlton came to Dallas and moved
14 the church services to a schoolhouse, and when he left in 1865 the
15 church met in the Masonic Hall and later back in the courthouse
16 until they built the first church building in Dallas in 1867 near
17 the corner of Carondelet, now Ross, and Market Streets; and

18 WHEREAS, The church congregation has relocated from
19 different locations throughout its history, including the Ross and
20 Market Streets location, which is now a Dallas historical marker
21 where the church was known as First Christian Church, to property at
22 the corner of Pearl and Bryan Streets, the first brick church
23 building built in Dallas in 1881 known as the Pearl and Bryan Church
24 of Christ, to property at the corner of Garland Road and Centerville

1 in 1955 known as the Garland Road Church of Christ, and finally to
2 its current location on Kingsley/LBJ Freeway in 1983 known as the
3 Highland Oaks Church of Christ; and

4 WHEREAS, The congregation has increased from six families and
5 12 members in 1855 to 1,500 members in 2005, and is currently led by
6 an outstanding minister, Mr. Tim Spivey; now, therefore, be it

7 WHEREAS, That the House of Representatives of the 79th Texas
8 Legislature hereby congratulate the Highland Oaks Church of Christ
9 on their 150th anniversary and for their continuing ministry to the
10 citizens of Dallas; and, be it further

11 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
12 prepared for the Highland Oaks Church of Christ as an expression of
13 high regard from the Texas House of Representatives.

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Keffer of Dallas
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H.R. No. 2199

Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 2199 was adopted by the House on May 29, 2005, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House