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R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, First Baptist Church of Pampa is celebrating its
2 100th anniversary in 2007, and this notable milestone provides an
3 ideal time to reflect on the congregation's rich history; and

4 WHEREAS, Organized on April 6, 1907, the church met at an old
5 schoolhouse before members elected to build their own facility,
6 which was dedicated on September 12, 1915; the oil boom of the 1920s
7 brought with it a dramatic increase in the city's population and a
8 considerable growth in church membership, and a new building was
9 erected in 1929 on the corner of Kingsmill and West Streets to
10 better serve the expanding congregation; the church has since
11 benefited from a number of renovations and additions, including the
12 construction of two education buildings; and

13 WHEREAS, From ministering to soldiers during World War II to
14 providing its members with a strong foundation in Christian
15 education, First Baptist Church of Pampa has long met the spiritual
16 needs of its community, and under the leadership of its 15th pastor,
17 Dr. Johnny Funderburg, it continues to do so today; and

18 WHEREAS, First Baptist Church of Pampa stands as a testament
19 to the dedication of its members and clergy, both past and present,
20 whose enduring faith, support, and devotion have ensured its
21 continued existence and sustained its vital mission; now,
22 therefore, be it

23 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 80th Texas
24 Legislature hereby congratulate all associated with First Baptist

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1 Church of Pampa on the 100th anniversary of their congregation and
2 extend to them best wishes for many more years of meaningful worship
3 together; and, be it further

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