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RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, The year 2007 marks the 25th anniversary of Wills
 Point International Outreach Church, the church home of our
 distinguished colleague, State Representative Betty Brown; and

WHEREAS, Pastor Michael Williams and his wife, Brenda, were encouraged to organize a church in Wills Point after hosting a series of Bible-study seminars there; eventually, land was secured and congregants completed the building of a sanctuary, where they met for the first time on Easter Sunday, March 30, 1986; and

9 WHEREAS, For several years, the church worked to pay down its 10 debt, while also supporting many local, national, and foreign 11 missions; at its 15th anniversary celebration, guest minister Dr. 12 Jerry Savelle felt led to pay the remaining balance, and the church 13 has been debt free ever since; it has given more than \$1 million to 14 missions in the last 10 years alone; and

WHEREAS, Church members support a number of worthwhile programs, including the annual Hallelujah Night, which serves as a Christian alternative to Halloween and has grown to include some 4,000 participants since beginning in 1997; moreover, the church campus continues to expand, thanks to a donation of more than 40 acres, and will soon be home to a gymnasium/auditorium; and

21 WHEREAS, Wills Point International Outreach Church has 22 provided steadfast spiritual and moral guidance to the community it 23 serves for a quarter-century, and its continued existence is a 24 tribute to the commitment and faith of both its members and its

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1 leaders; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 80th Texas Legislature hereby commemorate the 25th anniversary of Wills Point International Outreach Church and extend to all those associated with the church sincere best wishes for the future; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
prepared for Wills Point International Outreach Church as an
expression of high regard by the Texas House of Representatives.

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 2652 was adopted by the House on May 25, 2007, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House