

**SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 951**

**WHEREAS**, The Senate of the State of Texas is pleased to recognize the First Baptist Church of Buda on the grand occasion of its 125th anniversary, which will be celebrated July 15, 2007; and

**WHEREAS**, Baptists began organizing a church shortly after the town of Du Pre was established in 1881; the church had 22 members when it petitioned the San Marcos Baptist Association for membership in 1882; and

**WHEREAS**, When the town of Du Pre changed its name to Buda, the church became the Buda Baptist Church; in the early years, the church met once a month in a local school and later in the Buda Methodist Church; and

**WHEREAS**, Deacons of the Buda Baptist Church purchased two lots in 1896 for \$50; a frame building was erected and dedicated in July of 1897; by the turn of the century, the church had added a tabernacle that seated 200; and

**WHEREAS**, The current church property on Peach Street was purchased in 1947; the new building was completed in 1949 and included salvaged materials from the original frame building and tabernacle and a native field stone exterior; the building was dedicated in 1952 after the traditional burning of the mortgage; and

**WHEREAS**, As the church grew, educational buildings and a parsonage were added; the members of the church voted to change the name officially to the First Baptist Church of Buda in 1967; at its centennial anniversary in 1982, the church received a Historical Marker from the Texas Historical Commission; and

**WHEREAS**, The First Baptist Church of Buda continued to undertake many worthy projects; a new sanctuary and educational building was completed in 1984, and education and mission programs were expanded; in times of growth and during times of challenge, the church has continued to minister faithfully to the physical and spiritual needs of its members; and

**WHEREAS**, As the First Baptist Church of Buda celebrates its 125th anniversary, its members can take great pride in its rich history and its enduring commitment to its holy mission; now, therefore, be it

**RESOLVED**, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 80th Legislature, hereby congratulate the members and leaders of the congregation of the First Baptist Church of Buda on its 125th anniversary and extend best wishes to all for an enjoyable celebration; and, be it further

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**RESOLVED**, That a copy of this Resolution be prepared for the church as a memento of this occasion.

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President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on May 2, 2007.

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Secretary of the Senate

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Member, Texas Senate