

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, The members of the First United Methodist Church of
2 Crystal City are marking a momentous event in January 2009 with the
3 commemoration of the 100th anniversary of their church's founding;
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5 WHEREAS, Established on January 19, 1908, by the Reverend
6 W. E. Broadhurst, First Methodist has experienced much growth since
7 its beginnings in the local unfinished schoolhouse where its
8 organizational meeting was held; a two-story building erected on
9 Avenue A in 1909 was replaced with a large white stucco edifice two
10 decades later; since 1960, the church home, which features lovely
11 stained glass windows, has been located at 616 East Valverde
12 Street; and

13 WHEREAS, Covered-dish evenings have provided a welcome
14 opportunity for fellowship through the years, with chicken and
15 dumplings and enchiladas counted as special favorites; among the
16 longtime congregants taking part in these and other church
17 activities are Ronald Martin "Marty" Harkey, Jane Marie Byrd Del
18 Re, and Joseph Patrick Byrd, Jr., all of whom are fourth-generation
19 members carrying on the religious legacy of their forebears; and

20 WHEREAS, A highly valued spiritual and social center in the
21 Crystal City area, First Methodist has long reached out to the wider
22 community; the church has hosted a monthly prayer breakfast, the
23 Thanksgiving service sponsored by the local ministerial alliance,
24 and the Christmas Eve candlelight service; and

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1 WHEREAS, Since its inception, First United Methodist Church
2 has remained a source of strength, comfort, and inspiration to area
3 residents, and it is fitting that its clergy and parishioners, both
4 past and present, be honored on this joyous occasion; now,
5 therefore, be it

6 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 81st Texas
7 Legislature hereby recognize the 100th anniversary of the founding
8 of the First United Methodist Church of Crystal City and extend to
9 all those affiliated with the church sincere best wishes for the
10 future; and, be it further

11 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
12 prepared for the church as an expression of high regard by the Texas
13 House of Representatives.

King of Zavala

Straus	Gattis	Menendez
Allen	Geren	Merritt
Alonzo	Giddings	Miklos
Alvarado	Gonzales	Miller of Comal
Anchia	Gonzalez Toureilles	Miller of Erath
Anderson	Guillen	Moody
Aycock	Gutierrez	Morrison
Berman	Hamilton	Naishtat
Bohac	Hancock	Oliveira
Bolton	Hardcastle	Olivo
Bonnen	Harless	Orr
Branch	Harper-Brown	Ortiz, Jr.
Brown of Kaufman	Hartnett	Otto
Brown of Brazos	Heflin	Parker
Burnam	Hernandez	Patrick
Button	Herrero	Paxton
Callegari	Hilderbran	Peña
Castro	Hochberg	Phillips
Chavez	Hodge	Pickett
Chisum	Homer	Pierson
Christian	Hopson	Pitts
Cohen	Howard of Fort Bend	Quintanilla
Coleman	Howard of Travis	Raymond
Cook	Hughes	Riddle
Corte	Hunter	Rios Ybarra
Crabb	Isett	Ritter
Craddick	Jackson	Rodriguez
Creighton	Jones	Rose
Crownover	Keffer	Sheffield
Darby	Kent	Shelton
Davis of Harris	King of Parker	Smith of Tarrant
Davis of Dallas	King of Taylor	Smith of Harris
Deshotel	King of Zavala	Smithee
Driver	Kleinschmidt	Solomons
Dukes	Kolkhorst	Strama
Dunnam	Kuempel	Swinford
Dutton	Laubenberg	Taylor
Edwards	Legler	Thibaut
Eiland	Leibowitz	Thompson
Eissler	Lewis	Truitt
Elkins	Lucio III	Turner of Tarrant
England	Madden	Turner of Harris
Farabee	Maldonado	Vaught
Farias	Mallory Caraway	Veasey
Farrar	Marquez	Villarreal
Fletcher	Martinez	Vo
Flores	Martinez Fischer	Walle
Flynn	McCall	Weber
Frost	McClendon	Woolley
Gallego	McReynolds	Zerwas

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 190 was adopted by the House on
February 26, 2009, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House