

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, The congregation of the First United Methodist
2 Church of Donna is celebrating the 100th anniversary of the
3 church's founding in February 2009, and this joyous event is
4 certain to be a memorable occasion for all concerned; and

5 WHEREAS, The First United Methodist Church of Donna was
6 organized in February 1909; its first pastor, the Reverend C. W.
7 Goodwyn, also had the responsibility of shepherding the McAllen
8 congregation of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South; and

9 WHEREAS, In 1918, the Reverend O. C. Crow assumed the pulpit
10 of the Donna church; under his direction, membership grew from 20
11 parishioners to several hundred; this exceeded the capacity of the
12 church's modest wood frame building, which resulted in services and
13 Sunday school classes being held in the Donna High School
14 auditorium until an addition could be erected; today's church home,
15 constructed in 1951, features stained glass windows, a prominent
16 steeple, and sufficient room to meet the myriad needs of a thriving
17 congregation; and

18 WHEREAS, Since its inception, First United Methodist Church
19 has remained a haven of strength, comfort, and inspiration for
20 residents of the Rio Grande Valley, and its continued existence is a
21 tribute to the unwavering commitment of its members, both past and
22 present; now, therefore, be it

23 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 81st Texas
24 Legislature hereby congratulate all those affiliated with the First

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1 United Methodist Church of Donna on the occasion of its 100th
2 anniversary and extend to them sincere best wishes for the future;
3 and, be it further

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

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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. 222 was adopted by the House on
February 26, 2009, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House