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R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Throughout its rich history, First United Methodist
2 Church in Lubbock has reached out to the community and enhanced the
3 lives of local residents in myriad ways; and

4 WHEREAS, This notable institution dates back to 1892, when
5 church services were held in schools and at the Lubbock County
6 Courthouse, and it has since experienced significant growth,
7 including the construction of an impressive Gothic-style sanctuary
8 along with an education building and a Christian Life Center for
9 youth; yet despite these changes and expansions, First United
10 Methodist Church has remained true to its mission of supporting the
11 community through charitable works; and

12 WHEREAS, Committed to their church's mission, parishioners
13 have shown compassion and kindness to many, and they have welcomed
14 newcomers into their community with open arms; in 1975, when the
15 family of State Representative Hubert Vo settled in Lubbock, the
16 congregation provided vital assistance to their new neighbors,
17 enrolling the children in area schools and even raising funds to
18 purchase a car for the family; the support that the Vos received
19 from First United Methodist Church helped them adjust to life in
20 this country, and they benefited greatly from the generosity of its
21 congregants and leaders; and

22 WHEREAS, Under the guidance of its current pastor, Dr. Jay
23 Horton, First United Methodist Church continues to serve as a
24 source of comfort, inspiration, and fellowship, and its legacy of

1 goodwill resonates in Lubbock and beyond; now, therefore, be it

2 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 81st Texas
3 Legislature hereby honor First United Methodist Church for its
4 efforts in behalf of the citizens of Lubbock and extend to its
5 clergy and congregation sincere best wishes for continued success
6 with their worthy endeavors; and, be it further

7 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
8 prepared for the church as an expression of high regard by the Texas
9 House of Representatives.