

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Members of First Lutheran Church in Waco are joining
2 together on April 19, 2009, to celebrate the 125th anniversary of
3 the founding of the institution; and

4 WHEREAS, Originally called Scandinavian Evangelical Lutheran
5 Ebenezer Congregation, the church was established by Norwegian
6 immigrants in 1884; eight years later, the First Lutheran Church
7 Women was organized; and

8 WHEREAS, Through the decades, First Lutheran has reached out
9 to the community with a number of notable programs; in addition to
10 sponsoring Boy Scouts of America Troop 18, the congregation helped
11 to establish the Clifton Lutheran Sunset Home to provide housing
12 for seniors, created the Student Assistance Fund to support
13 Lutheran students at Baylor University, and served as a Meals on
14 Wheels site for more than 35 years; currently, the church also
15 offers a program providing free and low-cost legal aid to people in
16 need; and

17 WHEREAS, For 125 years, First Lutheran Church in Waco has
18 provided steadfast spiritual and moral guidance to the community it
19 serves, and its continued existence is a tribute to the commitment
20 and faith of its leaders and members, past and present; now,
21 therefore, be it

22 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 81st Texas
23 Legislature hereby commemorate the 125th anniversary of First
24 Lutheran Church in Waco and extend to the members of the

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1 congregation best wishes for a memorable and meaningful anniversary
2 observance; and, be it further

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

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 1921 was adopted by the House on May 14, 2009, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House