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R E S O L U T I O N

1           WHEREAS, The members of Glad Tidings Assembly of God in  
2 Houston have marked a joyful milestone with the 75th anniversary  
3 celebration of the founding of their church; and

4           WHEREAS, Glad Tidings traces its roots to the work of a "home  
5 missionary" known as Mother Luster Hayes, whose ministry led to the  
6 founding of the Studewood Assembly of God; and

7           WHEREAS, Nearby, the Brooksmith Assembly of God was  
8 officially founded on December 28, 1934; under the leadership of  
9 the Reverend William Law and his wife, Judy, worship was held in a  
10 lodge hall and later moved to a site on Enid Street; and

11           WHEREAS, In 1942, the Studewood and Brooksmith churches  
12 merged to become the Glad Tidings Assembly of God, under the  
13 guidance of W. Houston Summerall as the first pastor; next to serve  
14 were the Reverend Grady Q. Manley and his wife, Annabel, during  
15 whose pastorate land was purchased and the church home was moved to  
16 5435 Bingle Road in Northwest Houston; and

17           WHEREAS, The Reverend Laurell Akers headed the congregation  
18 from 1970 until his retirement in 1991; it was during his tenure--on  
19 Easter Sunday 1987--that the current sanctuary and auxiliary  
20 buildings were dedicated; from 1991 to 1997, the Reverend David  
21 Schultz and his wife, Shirley, nurtured the growing membership,  
22 which has since been led by the Reverend Calvin Durham and his wife,  
23 Beverly; and

24           WHEREAS, Countless area residents have looked to Glad Tidings

1 Assembly of God for strength and inspiration through the years, and  
2 it is a pleasure to join in honoring the church at this special time  
3 in its rich history; now, therefore, be it

4         RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 82nd Texas  
5 Legislature hereby congratulate all those affiliated with Glad  
6 Tidings Assembly of God on the church's 75th anniversary and extend  
7 to them sincere best wishes for the future; and, be it further

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