By: Davis of Dallas

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RESOLUTION

- 1 WHEREAS, For 125 years, families have come together to
- 2 celebrate their faith at Salem Institutional Baptist Church in
- 3 Dallas; and
- WHEREAS, Established by Father J. S. Sims as a ministry of New
- 5 Hope Baptist Church, Salem Institutional Baptist has played a vital
- 6 role in the community since 1888, providing area residents with
- 7 myriad opportunities for spiritual growth, fellowship, and
- 8 community outreach; and
- 9 WHEREAS, The congregation has benefited from the able
- 10 leadership of many dedicated pastors, and today that tradition of
- 11 service continues under the direction of the Reverend Todd Marshall
- 12 Atkins; since his appointment, the church has added a number of
- 13 vital programs to benefit its growing membership; and
- 14 WHEREAS, Salem Institutional Baptist Church has long served
- 15 as a source of inspiration and guidance to those who worship there,
- 16 and its continued existence is a tribute to the unwavering
- 17 commitment of its congregants, both past and present; now,
- 18 therefore, be it
- 19 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 83rd Texas
- 20 Legislature, 3rd Called Session, hereby commemorate the 125th
- 21 anniversary of Salem Institutional Baptist Church and extend to its
- 22 pastor and members sincere best wishes for the future; and, be it
- 23 further
- 24 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be

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- $1 \hspace{0.1in}$ prepared for the church as an expression of high regard by the ${\tt Texas}$
- 2 House of Representatives.