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R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Members of St. Paul United Methodist Church in
2 Georgetown celebrated the 140th anniversary of their church's
3 founding on April 21, 2013; and

4 WHEREAS, Established in 1873, this historically black
5 congregation has long played a vital role in the Georgetown
6 community; members initially met in the home of Mack and Belinda
7 Cook, who later deeded the property on Martin Luther King Street
8 where services are still held today; the current sanctuary was
9 built in 1972 and renovated in 2011; and

10 WHEREAS, Over the years, St. Paul United Methodist Church has
11 benefited from the dedicated efforts of a number of outstanding
12 members of the clergy, including the Reverends W. B. Lot and Edward
13 Kernan; the church's current pastor, the Reverend Arcynthia Louie,
14 has led the congregation for the past four years; and

15 WHEREAS, United by their shared faith and strong traditions,
16 the members of this notable house of worship support a variety of
17 commendable programs that offer fellowship as well as help to those
18 in need; and

19 WHEREAS, For nearly a century and a half, countless
20 Georgetown residents have looked to St. Paul for inspiration and
21 spiritual guidance, and it is a pleasure to join in honoring the
22 church at this special time in its rich history; now, therefore, be
23 it

24 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 83rd Texas

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1 Legislature hereby congratulate all those associated with St. Paul
2 United Methodist Church in Georgetown on its 140th anniversary and
3 extend to its members sincere best wishes for the future; and, be it
4 further

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