By: Craddick

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RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, For 70 years, families have come together to
celebrate their faith at Mount Zion Baptist Church in Crane; and

3 WHEREAS, Mount Zion Baptist has served as a spiritual home for many members of the Crane community since its establishment by 4 5 the Reverend T. J. Hollis in February 1945; this notable institution has provided a setting for important rites of passage 6 in the lives of area residents, and it is there that congregants 7 have taken their wedding vows, baptized their children, and mourned 8 9 those loved ones who have come to the end of their journey; it is there, too, that worshippers search for the essential truths and 10 11 wisdom that may help them to lead more ethical, harmonious, and 12 compassionate lives; the church also supports programs that enable 13 its members to reach out to those in need and to put into action the 14 tenets of their faith; and

WHEREAS, While Mount Zion Baptist Church has undergone numerous changes through the years to accommodate the evolving needs of the congregation, it remains a constant and enduring presence in Crane, and many who have worshipped there have experienced a renewal of their faith and the welcoming embrace of a caring community; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 84th Texas Legislature hereby congratulate all those affiliated with Mount Zion Baptist Church on the 70th anniversary of the church's founding and extend to them sincere best wishes for the future; and,

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1 be it further

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