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H.R. No. 103

R E S O L U T I O N

1           WHEREAS, Members of Leander Presbyterian Church are  
2 celebrating the 160th anniversary of their church's founding on  
3 February 12, 2017; and

4           WHEREAS, Since its organization as Pleasant Hill  
5 Presbyterian Church on February 14, 1857, this congregation has  
6 played a vital role in its community, providing members with myriad  
7 opportunities for spiritual growth, fellowship, and outreach; and

8           WHEREAS, The church was originally located in Bagdad, one  
9 mile to the west; when the railroad bypassed that town in 1882,  
10 residents began to move to the new town of Leander, which had been  
11 founded on the rail line; parishioners of Pleasant Hill erected a  
12 church building in Leander in 1884, on land that was later deeded to  
13 church trustees by member Sarah J. Walker; and

14           WHEREAS, Through the years, the congregation has benefited  
15 from the dedicated efforts of a number of outstanding clergy and  
16 church leaders, including its first minister, the Reverend R. M.  
17 Overstreet, and first ruling elder, Samuel D. Carothers; today,  
18 that tradition of service is continued by the Reverend Robert  
19 McElwaine; and

20           WHEREAS, Leander Presbyterian Church has long served as a  
21 source of inspiration and guidance to those who worship there, and  
22 its continued existence is a testament to the unwavering commitment  
23 of its members and clergy, both past and present; now, therefore, be  
24 it

1           RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 85th Texas  
2 Legislature hereby commemorate the 160th anniversary of the  
3 founding of Leander Presbyterian Church and extend to all those  
4 associated with the church sincere best wishes for the future; and,  
5 be it further

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