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R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Members of First Methodist Church of Chillicothe
2 gathered on May 21, 2016, to celebrate the 100th anniversary of the
3 construction of their church; and

4 WHEREAS, Organized in 1886 in the Jackson Springs community,
5 the congregation was served in its early days by circuit riders
6 C. T. Neese and J. T. Hosmer; the church was relocated to
7 Chillicothe not long after the Fort Worth and Denver City Railway
8 reached the town in the following year; eventually, the
9 congregation found a new site, and prominent architect Rockwell
10 Henry Stuckey was hired to design a building, which was completed in
11 1916; and

12 WHEREAS, The church's classical elements include a cornice,
13 columns, and eaves, and it also features an octagonal dome and
14 stained glass windows that were crafted in Germany; in 1998, the
15 building was designated as a Recorded Texas Historic Landmark by
16 the Texas Historical Commission; and

17 WHEREAS, Countless area residents have looked to the First
18 Methodist Church of Chillicothe for spiritual guidance for over a
19 century, and it is a pleasure to join in honoring the church and the
20 rich history of its venerable house of worship; now, therefore, be
21 it

22 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 85th Texas
23 Legislature hereby commemorate the 100th anniversary of the First
24 Methodist Church of Chillicothe building and extend to the members

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1 of the congregation sincere best wishes for the future; and, be it
2 further

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