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RESOLUTION

- 1 WHEREAS, The members of Cottonwood Creek Church are
- 2 celebrating the 135th anniversary of their church's founding on May
- 3 7, 2017; and
- 4 WHEREAS, Cottonwood Creek Church traces its origins back to
- 5 1882, when a small group of residents formed Mount Olive Baptist
- 6 Church in McKinney; over the succeeding years, the congregation
- 7 grew into one of the largest in the Collin Baptist Association, and
- 8 by 1921, it included 149 members; the church relocated to Fairview
- 9 in 1959 and later changed its name to First Baptist Church of
- 10 Fairview; several decades later, the church moved again, this time
- 11 to land off Highway 121 in Allen, where the newly renamed Cottonwood
- 12 Creek Church opened its doors on August 18, 2002; and
- WHEREAS, After more than a century of growth, this venerable
- 14 institution currently serves three locations in North Texas, and
- 15 congregants are ably led by Senior Pastor John Mark Caton at the
- 16 Allen campus, Pastor Danny Broughton at the Denison campus, and
- 17 Pastor Terry Busker at the Nevada campus; and
- WHEREAS, United by their shared faith and strong traditions,
- 19 the members of Cottonwood Creek Church have established a variety
- 20 of commendable programs that foster fellowship and offer help to
- 21 those in need; and
- WHEREAS, Countless North Texans have looked to Cottonwood
- 23 Creek Church for spiritual guidance over the years, and it is a
- 24 pleasure to join in honoring the church at this special time in its

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- 1 rich history; now, therefore, be it
- 2 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 85th Texas
- 3 Legislature hereby commemorate the 135th anniversary of Cottonwood
- 4 Creek Church and extend to its members sincere best wishes for the
- 5 future; and, 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.