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R E S O L U T I O N

WHEREAS, The members of Central Presbyterian Church in Waxahachie are celebrating the 100th anniversary of their church's establishment on April 28, 2019; and

WHEREAS, On Easter Sunday, 1919, the Central Presbyterian Church congregation held the inaugural service in its new sanctuary following 22 months of construction; architect C. D. Hill designed the spacious structure in the style of late Gothic Revival, with a seating capacity for 500 worshippers; the church's original pipe organ, an Austin Opus 809, is still in operation; and

WHEREAS, In the century since its opening, Central Presbyterian has benefited from the dedicated efforts of a number of outstanding clergymen, including the Reverend Matt Curry, who leads the congregation today; and

WHEREAS, United by their shared faith and strong traditions, the members of this notable house of worship have established a variety of commendable programs that foster fellowship and offer help to those in need, including the Marthas, Second Saturday Service, Kids Against Hunger, and Worship Outside the Walls; the church has worked closely with the Presbyterian Children's Homes and Services over the years and provided invaluable support to the community through partnerships with a number of local organizations, including Waxahachie Care, CASA, Gingerbread House, and Daniel's Den; and

WHEREAS, Countless Waxahachie residents have looked to Central Presbyterian Church for spiritual guidance in the past century, and it is a pleasure to join in honoring the church at this special time in its rich history; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 86th Texas Legislature hereby commemorate the 100th anniversary of Central Presbyterian Church and extend to its members sincere best wishes for the future; and, be it further

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