By: Patterson

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RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, For 100 years, residents of Aubrey have come
together to celebrate their faith at Aubrey First United Methodist
Church; and

WHEREAS, The beginnings of Aubrey First United Methodist 4 Church trace back to the latter half of the 19th century, when 5 worship services were held in log cabins near the present-day town 6 7 of Aubrey; a wood-frame building was constructed in the 1880s on the corner of Plum and Maple Streets to house the local Methodist 8 9 church, but it was destroyed in 1918 by a devastating tornado; in February 1919, a one-story, brick veneer replacement was completed 10 on the original plot, and it continues to serve as the church's 11 12 sanctuary today; and

WHEREAS, The church was renamed Aubrey First United Methodist Church following a merger with the Evangelical United Brethren Church in 1968, and it was officially incorporated in 1986; since its inception, this notable house of worship has played a vital role in the community, providing its members with myriad opportunities for spiritual growth, fellowship, and outreach; and

WHEREAS, Over the years, the congregation has benefited from the able leadership of a number of dedicated pastors, and today that tradition of service is continued by Joseph Baker; and

22 WHEREAS, Aubrey First United Methodist Church has long served 23 as a source of inspiration and guidance to those who worship there, 24 and its continued existence is a testament to the unwavering

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1 commitment of its members and clergy, both past and present; now, 2 therefore, be it

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RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 86th Texas Legislature hereby commemorate the 100th anniversary of Aubrey First United Methodist Church and extend to its congregation sincere best wishes for many more years of shared prayer and fellowship; and, be it further

8 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be 9 prepared for the church as an expression of high regard by the Texas 10 House of Representatives.

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