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RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, Members of the Lake Jackson Church of Christ are 2 celebrating the 75th anniversary of their church's founding on 3 April 6 and 7, 2019; and

WHEREAS, On March 5, 1944, the original eight members of the Lake Jackson Church of Christ held their first worship service in the Community House of the newly incorporated city of Lake Jackson; for the next few years, the growing congregation met in a private home, an elementary school, and a junior high school cafeteria; and

9 WHEREAS, In 1950, the congregation constructed a sanctuary 10 with a small auditorium and several classrooms, and as membership 11 has grown over the years, the church has been expanded and renovated 12 several times; most recently, a Fellowship Center and more 13 classrooms were built in 1998, and in 2017, the auditorium and foyer 14 were remodeled and a new Welcome Center was added; and

WHEREAS, United by their shared faith and strong traditions, the members of the church have supported missionaries in such places as Brazil, Uganda, and Asia, as well as such programs as Hope for Haiti's Children, Arms of Hope, and Medina Children's Home; the church's youth group has carried the church's message to the Dominican Republic and England, and they have also volunteered with Impact Church in Houston; and

22 WHEREAS, In the aftermath of Hurricanes Katrina, Ike, and 23 Harvey, the congregation has provided meals, supplies, and other 24 support to evacuees; the church also operates a clothing closet and

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1 food pantry twice a week, and its members participate in the Loving 2 BISD school program and serve as mentors and tutors to students at 3 Beutel Elementary School; since 1981, the church's Sunshine School, 4 a twice-weekly preschool program, has ministered to several 5 generations of children; and

6 WHEREAS, For three quarters of a century, Lake Jackson Church 7 of Christ has been a spiritual home and a source of comfort and aid 8 to many, and its continued existence is a testament to the 9 unwavering commitment of its members and clergy, both past and 10 present; now, therefore, be it

11 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 86th Texas 12 Legislature hereby congratulate the Lake Jackson Church of Christ 13 on its 75th anniversary and extend to its congregation sincere best 14 wishes for a meaningful and memorable celebration; and, be it 15 further

16 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be 17 prepared for the Lake Jackson Church of Christ as an expression of 18 high regard by the Texas House of Representatives.

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