

2017 Regular Session

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 71

BY REPRESENTATIVE JIM MORRIS

A RESOLUTION

To commend and congratulate Vivian United Methodist Church upon the celebration of its one hundred thirteenth anniversary.

WHEREAS, the members of Vivian United Methodist Church joyfully celebrate the occasion of its one hundred thirteenth anniversary on May 7, 2017; and

WHEREAS, in 1904, fifteen people founded the Methodist church in Vivian, Louisiana, which became a thriving spiritual community called the Vivian United Methodist Church; and

WHEREAS, the Vivian United Methodist Church has adopted the mission statement, "To make disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world."; and

WHEREAS, known as a church with "Open Hearts, Open Minds, and Open Doors", the members of Vivian United Methodist Church are involved in a variety of ministries and programs to benefit families in need; and

WHEREAS, with God's grace and guidance, Vivian United Methodist Church opens its food pantry to the community each week; builds "Faith Houses" which are houses for families who have limited resources; distributes Thanksgiving baskets to families in need; and provides scholarships for graduating seniors; and

WHEREAS, along with the vital ministries that address the physical needs of community, Vivian United Methodist Church further nurtures its environment by attending to the spiritual and emotional needs of the population, by sharing love with the elderly at the local nursing home by holding a Valentine's Day party, by sponsoring a community-wide Easter Egg hunt for area children, and by hosting the Community Song Fest to celebrate the Christmas season while involving other area churches.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the House of Representatives of the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby commend Vivian United Methodist Church upon the celebration of its one hundred thirteenth anniversary on May 7, 2017, does hereby record for posterity the many efforts of this historic church to serve and meet the needs of its community, and does hereby extend its best wishes to the church and its members for many more years of service and spiritual prosperity.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a suitable copy of this Resolution be transmitted to Vivian United Methodist Church.

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SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES