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HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 71

BY REPRESENTATIVE JIM MORRIS

COMMENDATIONS: Commends Vivian United Methodist Church upon the celebration of its one hundred thirteenth anniversary

A RESOLUTION

2	To commend and congratulate Vivian United Methodist Church upon the celebration of its
3	one hundred thirteenth anniversary.
4	WHEREAS, the members of Vivian United Methodist Church joyfully celebrate the
5	occasion of its one hundred thirteenth anniversary on May 7, 2017; and
6	WHEREAS, in 1904, fifteen people founded the Methodist church in Vivian,
7	Louisiana, which became a thriving spiritual community called the Vivian United Methodist
8	Church; and
9	WHEREAS, the Vivian United Methodist Church has adopted the mission statement,
10	"To make disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world."; and
11	WHEREAS, known as a church with "Open Hearts, Open Minds, and Open Doors",
12	the members of Vivian United Methodist Church are involved in a variety of ministries and
13	programs to benefit families in need; and
14	WHEREAS, with God's grace and guidance, Vivian United Methodist Church opens
15	its food pantry to the community each week; builds "Faith Houses" which are houses for
16	families who have limited resources; distributes Thanksgiving baskets to families in need;
17	and provides scholarships for graduating seniors; and
18	WHEREAS, along with the vital ministries that address the physical needs of
19	community, Vivian United Methodist Church further nurtures its environment by attending
20	to the spiritual and emotional needs of the population, by sharing love with the elderly at the
21	local nursing home by holding a Valentine's Day party, by sponsoring a community-wide

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1 Easter Egg hunt for area children, and by hosting the Community Song Fest to celebrate the

- 2 Christmas season while involving other area churches.
- THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the House of Representatives of the
- 4 Legislature of Louisiana does hereby commend Vivian United Methodist Church upon the
- 5 celebration of its one hundred thirteenth anniversary on May 7, 2017, does hereby record for
- 6 posterity the many efforts of this historic church to serve and meet the needs of its
- 7 community, and does hereby extend its best wishes to the church and its members for many
- 8 more years of service and spiritual prosperity.
- 9 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a suitable copy of this Resolution be transmitted
- 10 to Vivian United Methodist Church.

## **DIGEST**

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Jim Morris

Commends Vivian United Methodist Church on the occasion of its 113<sup>th</sup> anniversary on May 7, 2017.