

HOUSE RESOLUTION 243

By Holt

A RESOLUTION to celebrate the fiftieth anniversary of Union City Baptist Temple.

WHEREAS, the churches of our nation have been an integral part of our history as a people and have had an unparalleled impact in forming and maintaining a stable and just society; and

WHEREAS, it is appropriate that we should recognize those venerable religious institutions and their congregations who, through their unflagging capacity for love, dedication of spirit, and faith in God, strive to enrich the lives of people in their communities; and

WHEREAS, one such dynamic and historic community of faith is Union City Baptist Temple, the members of which are celebrating the church's fiftieth anniversary on May 29-31, 2020; and

WHEREAS, Pastor Larry Bruce and the original church members felt a call to establish the church in May 1970, and since that time, Union City Baptist Temple has faithfully served the citizens of Union City; and

WHEREAS, after suffering a devastating fire in 2015, the congregation of Union City Baptist Temple banded together and rebuilt their church home; and

WHEREAS, Union City Baptist Temple continues to be a light in the community, and the devout members of the congregation faithfully strive to carry out God's work in the world; and

WHEREAS, the members of Union City Baptist Temple not only serve the local community, but they continue to reach out and serve missionaries and citizens of the world through the church's vibrant missions program; and

WHEREAS, as a powerful tool in the service of the Kingdom of God, Union City Baptist Temple is truly one of the great religious institutions and catalysts for positive spiritual change in

our State and nation, and the members of this exceptional congregation should be appropriately honored for their exemplary service to their fellow Christians and to the good people of Tennessee; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED ELEVENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, that we join in the celebration of the fiftieth anniversary of Union City Baptist Temple, thank the good people of this historic congregation and their ministers for their notable service to their Lord and the State of Tennessee, and wish them much continued success and happiness.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.