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8 CELEBRATING THE 135TH ANNIVERSARY OF TRUEVINE
9 MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH.

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11 WHEREAS, Reverend H. D. Allen founded Truevine
12 Missionary Baptist Church in 1883, with the first church site
13 located on Titi Street; and

14 WHEREAS, following the death of Reverend H. D.
15 Allen, Reverend O. J. Jackson was selected as Pastor; Reverend
16 Jackson served between 1900 and 1917; and

17 WHEREAS, between 1900 and 1917, severe storm damage
18 forced Truevine to move from Titi Street to 1850 Dr. Martin
19 Luther King, Jr., Avenue; and

20 WHEREAS, March 2, 1917, Reverend O. J. Jackson
21 departed this life and Reverend E. Bizell was selected to
22 serve as pastor until late 1919; and

23 WHEREAS, Mrs. Julia Antone holds the longest living
24 membership recorded in the church at 50 years; and

25 WHEREAS, in October of 1919, Reverend Britt Mose
26 Lovett was selected as pastor of church, and under his

1 leadership, membership increased, a vestibule was added, a
2 40-foot addition was built; and

3 WHEREAS, in 1945, the church was torn down and
4 worship services were held in the sanctuary of Liberty Baptist
5 Church on Ann Street until members of Truevine were able to
6 conduct services in their completed church basement; and

7 WHEREAS, Reverend Lovett devoted 47 years of
8 dedicated service to Truevine before he departed this life on
9 June 22, 1963; and

10 WHEREAS, Reverend Bennie D. Lambert was selected as
11 pastor and served until February 28, 1982, when he accepted a
12 call to pastor a church in Lima, Ohio; and

13 WHEREAS, in August of 1982, Reverend Howard Johnson
14 became the sixth pastor in the 106-year history of Truevine
15 Missionary Baptist Church; Reverend Johnson coordinated all
16 departments of the church into a cohesive ministry and served
17 as pastor for 31 years; and

18 WHEREAS, Pastor Sandy Antonio McQueen became pastor
19 of Truevine in 2014, and incorporated community service
20 programs, such as tutoring, feeding the hungry, health fairs
21 and movie night; and

22 WHEREAS, for 135 years, Truevine Missionary Baptist
23 Church has brought the Good News of salvation to God's people,
24 and has continually been a source of inspiration to many; now
25 therefore,

26 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF
27 THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, That this body offers our sincere

1 and heartfelt congratulations to Truevine Missionary Baptist
2 Church on the celebration of its 135th anniversary.