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3 By Representative Knight  
4 RFD: Rules  
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8 RECOGNIZING MAGGIE STREET MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH  
9 ON CELEBRATING ITS 119TH ANNIVERSARY.  
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11 WHEREAS, it is with highest commendation that Maggie  
12 Street Missionary Baptist Church is recognized on the  
13 celebration of its 119th Anniversary; and

14 WHEREAS, the church was formed in 1898 in Pages Hall  
15 and Reverend Parker A. Ash was elected as the first pastor;  
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17 WHEREAS, under the leadership of Reverend Ash, the  
18 church moved from Pages Hall and was known as Maggie Street  
19 Missionary Baptist Church; and

20 WHEREAS, Maggie Street Missionary Baptist Church has  
21 blossomed under the guidance of righteous pastors, assistant  
22 pastors, deacons, ministry leaders, and trustee board members  
23 annointed by the Holy Spirt with a servant heart and a desire  
24 to further God's kingdom and gain souls for Christ; and

25 WHEREAS, with over 1,500 members, the church  
26 celebrated the construction of a new sanctuary in 1978; and

1           WHEREAS, among the church's offerings are the Food  
2     Pantry, the Clothes Closet, the Homeless Ministry, the Life  
3     Institute for Training (L.I.F.T.) Bible Crusade College and  
4     Seminary, which equips God's servants with accredited degrees  
5     and teaching certificates, a boot camp geared toward improving  
6     the overall health and well-being of the congregation, and a  
7     Dream Center to empower downtrodden souls with hope; and

8           WHEREAS, through the years, Maggie Street Missionary  
9     Baptist Church has been a pillar of strength and a beacon of  
10    faith, with active involvement in countless lives and worthy  
11    causes in the larger community; and

12          WHEREAS, it is a tremendous privilege to uplift  
13    Maggie Street Missionary Baptist Church on the occasion of its  
14    milestone celebration; now therefore,

15          BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, BOTH  
16    HOUSES THEREOF CONCURRING, That Maggie Street Missionary  
17    Baptist Church is most highly honored and commended, and it is  
18    directed that a copy of this resolution be provided to Pastor  
19    Ezekiel Pettway, Sr., with heartiest congratulations on the  
20    119th Anniversary Celebration and best wishes far into the  
21    future.