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## 136th General Assembly Regular Session 2025-2026

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## **Senator Manning**

## **A RESOLUTION**

Honoring LaPorte United Methodist Church on its Bicentennial.

WHEREAS, The members of the Senate of the 136th General Assembly of Ohio are pleased to extend special recognition to LaPorte United Methodist Church on the hallowed occasion of its Two Hundredth 3 Anniversary; and WHEREAS, Since its inception in 1825, LaPorte United Methodist Church has offered its members the pathway to a more meaningful life by illuminating and demonstrating the precepts on which the church was 7 founded. The spirit of love and Christian fellowship that exists among 8 the parishioners not only prevails within the church edifice itself but also extends beyond those sacred walls to touch the lives of 10 everyone encountered by its devout disciples; and 11 WHEREAS, Under the capable leadership of its current pastor, 12 William Baker, and his predecessors, LaPorte United Methodist Church 13 has experienced continual growth and provided a source of moral 14 guidance and spiritual motivation for its congregation. Over the 15 years, the church has enhanced the quality of life within Elyria and 16 the surrounding area, and through its generous efforts, it has earned 17 the gratitude and respect of the many citizens it has so capably 18 served; and 19 WHEREAS, An occasion such as this is an important milestone which 20 represents dedication, commitment, and enduring faith. For two 21 centuries, the members of LaPorte United Methodist Church have kept 22 their convictions alive in the Elyria community, and on this special 23

anniversary, they have accepted the challenge of carrying their

beliefs into the future; therefore be it

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RESOLVED, That we, the members of the Senate of the 136th General	26
Assembly of Ohio, in adopting this Resolution, congratulate LaPorte	27
United Methodist Church on its Two Hundredth Anniversary and pay	28
tribute to all those joining in the celebration of this joyous event;	29
and be it further	30
RESOLVED, That the Clerk of the Senate transmit a duly	31
authenticated copy of this Resolution to LaPorte United Methodist	32
Church.	33