

As Adopted by the Senate

**136th General Assembly
Regular Session
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S. R. No. 200

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
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
founded. The spirit of love and Christian fellowship that exists among
the parishioners not only prevails within the church edifice itself
but also extends beyond those sacred walls to touch the lives of
everyone encountered by its devout disciples; and

WHEREAS, Under the capable leadership of its current pastor,
William Baker, and his predecessors, LaPorte United Methodist Church
has experienced continual growth and provided a source of moral
guidance and spiritual motivation for its congregation. Over the
years, the church has enhanced the quality of life within Elyria and
the surrounding area, and through its generous efforts, it has earned
the gratitude and respect of the many citizens it has so capably
served; and

WHEREAS, An occasion such as this is an important milestone which
represents dedication, commitment, and enduring faith. For two
centuries, the members of LaPorte United Methodist Church have kept
their convictions alive in the Elyria community, and on this special
anniversary, they have accepted the challenge of carrying their
beliefs into the future; therefore be it

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