

As Introduced

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S. R. No. 706

Senator Wilson

A RESOLUTION

Honoring Franklin First United Methodist Church on its Two
Hundred Twentieth Anniversary

WHEREAS, The members of the Senate of the 132nd General
Assembly of Ohio are pleased to extend special recognition to
Franklin First United Methodist Church on the hallowed occasion of
its Two Hundred Twentieth Anniversary; and

WHEREAS, Since its inception, Franklin First 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 prevails not only within the
church edifice itself but also extends beyond those sacred walls
to touch the lives of everyone encountered by these devout
disciples; and

WHEREAS, Under the capable leadership of the church's
pastors, both past and present, Franklin First United Methodist
Church has experienced continual growth and has provided a source
of moral guidance and spiritual motivation for each of its
members. Over the years, the church has enhanced the quality of
life within the surrounding area, and through the generous efforts
of its religious leaders, including its current pastor, Laura
Saunders, 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
that represents dedication, commitment, and enduring faith. For
more than two centuries, the members of Franklin First United
Methodist Church have kept their faith alive in the community, and
this special anniversary signifies the congregation's commitment

to carry its beliefs into the future; therefore be it 27

RESOLVED, That we, the members of the Senate of the 132nd 28
General Assembly of Ohio, in adopting this Resolution, 29
congratulate Franklin First United Methodist Church on its Two 30
Hundred Twentieth Anniversary and pay tribute to all those joining 31
in the celebration of this joyous event; and be it further 32

RESOLVED, That the Clerk of the Senate transmit a duly 33
authenticated copy of this Resolution to Franklin First United 34
Methodist Church. 35