

**As Offered**

**135th General Assembly  
Regular Session  
2023-2024**

**H. R. No. 307**

**Representative Grim**

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**A RESOLUTION**

Honoring Epiphany Lutheran Church  
on its Centennial.

WHEREAS, The members of the House of Representatives of the 135th 1  
General Assembly of Ohio are pleased to extend special recognition to 2  
Epiphany Lutheran Church on the hallowed occasion of its One Hundredth 3  
Anniversary; and 4

WHEREAS, Since its inception, Epiphany Lutheran Church has 5  
offered its members the pathway to a more meaningful life by 6  
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 9  
but also extends beyond those sacred walls to touch the lives of 10  
everyone encountered by these devout disciples; and 11

WHEREAS, Under the capable direction of many religious leaders 12  
over the years, including its current pastor, Steve Smithberger, 13  
Epiphany Lutheran Church has experienced continual growth and has 14  
provided a source of moral guidance and spiritual motivation for each 15  
of its members. Over the years, the church has enhanced the quality of 16  
life within the surrounding area through its various initiatives, 17  
including a weekly food pantry, a teacher school pantry, and the 18  
Epiphany Quilters, and through its generous efforts, it has earned the 19  
gratitude and respect of the many citizens it has so capably served; 20  
and 21

WHEREAS, An occasion such as this is an important milestone which 22  
represents dedication and commitment. For one hundred years, the 23  
members of Epiphany Lutheran Church have kept their faith alive in the 24  
Toledo community, and on this special anniversary, they have accepted 25  
the challenge of carrying their beliefs into the future; therefore be 26

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RESOLVED, That we, the members of the House of Representatives of 28  
the 135th General Assembly of Ohio, in adopting this Resolution, 29  
congratulate Epiphany Lutheran Church on its One Hundredth Anniversary 30  
and pay tribute to all those joining in the celebration of this joyous 31  
event; and be it further 32

RESOLVED, That the Clerk of the House of Representatives transmit 33  
a duly authenticated copy of this Resolution to Epiphany Lutheran 34  
Church. 35