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H. R. No. 466

Representative McNally

A RESOLUTION

Honoring New Bethel Baptist Church
on its Centennial.

WHEREAS, The members of the House of Representatives of the 135th 1
General Assembly of Ohio are pleased to congratulate New Bethel 2
Baptist Church on its One Hundredth Anniversary; and 3

WHEREAS, Since its inception in 1924, New Bethel Baptist Church 4
has offered its members the pathway to a more meaningful life by 5
illuminating and demonstrating the precepts on which the Baptist 6
Church was founded. Previously existing in two other locations, the 7
church moved to its present site in 1964 and completed its new edifice 8
in 2004, and it is currently renovating its former sanctuary into a 9
community center. The spirit of love and Christian fellowship that 10
exists within the church also extends beyond those sacred walls to 11
touch the lives of everyone encountered by these devout disciples; and 12

WHEREAS, Under the capable leadership of its pastor, the Reverend 13
Kenneth L. Simon, and his predecessors, New Bethel Baptist Church has 14
experienced continual growth and has provided a source of moral 15
guidance and spiritual motivation for its congregation. Over the 16
years, the church has enhanced the quality of life within the 17
surrounding area, and through its generous efforts, it has earned the 18
gratitude and respect of the many citizens it has so capably served; 19
and 20

WHEREAS, An occasion such as this is an important milestone that 21
represents dedication and commitment. For a century, the members of 22
New Bethel Baptist Church have kept their faith alive in the 23
Youngstown community, and on this special anniversary, they have 24
accepted the challenge of carrying their beliefs into the future; 25
therefore be it 26

RESOLVED, That we, the members of the House of Representatives of 27
the 135th General Assembly of Ohio, in adopting this Resolution, 28
commend New Bethel Baptist Church on its One Hundredth Anniversary and 29
pay tribute to all those joining in the celebration of this joyous 30
event; and be it further 31

RESOLVED, That the Clerk of the House of Representatives transmit 32
a duly authenticated copy of this Resolution to New Bethel Baptist 33
Church. 34