

2017 Regular Session

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 222

BY REPRESENTATIVE CARPENTER

COMMENDATIONS: Commends Camphor Memorial United Methodist Church upon its one hundredth anniversary

1 A RESOLUTION

2 To commend Camphor Memorial United Methodist Church upon the historic occasion of
3 its one hundredth anniversary.

4 WHEREAS, it is appropriate to commemorate the historic occasion of the one
5 hundredth anniversary of Camphor Memorial United Methodist Church in Scotlandville; and

6 WHEREAS, in the early years of the last century no Methodist church existed in
7 Scotlandville, and a group of Methodists in that community would walk to worship each
8 Sunday morning at a church in the neighboring community of Baker; and

9 WHEREAS, in 1917, this devout group decided to bring a Methodist church to
10 Scotlandville and began meeting in the home of James and Mary Bradford on Marsh Street
11 to plan the church's establishment; and

12 WHEREAS, with the guidance of Reverend Amos M. Taylor of Thompson Chapel
13 in Baker and Reverend J. A. Landry, district superintendent, the founding group of ten
14 Scotlandville residents established in 1917 the Taylor Methodist Episcopal Church, the
15 forerunner of Camphor Memorial United Methodist Church; and

16 WHEREAS, the church's present name was bestowed upon it in 1922 in honor of
17 Bishop A. P. Camphor, a Louisiana-born minister and missionary; and

18 WHEREAS, also in 1922, Camphor Memorial United Methodist Church moved to
19 its current location at the corner of Scenic Highway and Teal Street; in that year, under the
20 direction of Reverend Walter Scott Chinn, the church building was rolled to that location
21 from the church's original site on Stilt Street; and

1 WHEREAS, in its century of existence, Camphor Memorial United Methodist
2 Church has not only met the spiritual needs of its congregation, but has been a leading
3 institution in civil rights and social justice as well; and

4 WHEREAS, Camphor currently serves its congregation and the community through
5 an outreach center which provides food and clothing to the needy and through programs such
6 as Sisters Supporting Sisters, a support group for breast cancer patients and survivors, and
7 Daughters of Naomi, which teaches life skills to girls; the church is also planning to hold a
8 workshop to teach men about ways to help their wives through illness; and

9 WHEREAS, for one hundred years, Camphor's congregants have steadfastly put faith
10 into action to transform their community and the world, and to bespeak the love of Jesus
11 Christ, the light of the world; and

12 WHEREAS, the joyous occasion of the centennial of this church merits a special
13 measure of recognition.

14 THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the House of Representatives of the
15 Legislature of Louisiana does hereby commend Camphor Memorial United Methodist
16 Church in Scotlandville upon the historic occasion of its one hundredth anniversary, does
17 hereby record for posterity the rich and wonderful history of the church, and does hereby
18 extend best wishes for the church's continued vitality in its second century as it shares the
19 Good News and celebrates God's grace.

20 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a suitable copy of this Resolution be transmitted
21 to Reverend Clifton C. Conrad, pastor of Camphor Memorial United Methodist Church.

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