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3 By Representative Beech
4 RFD: Rules
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8 COMMENDING CHATOM UNITED METHODIST CHURCH ON
9 CELEBRATING ITS 100TH ANNIVERSARY.

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11 WHEREAS, it is with highest commendation that Chatom
12 United Methodist Church is recognized on the occasion of its
13 Founder's Day/Centennial Celebration on November 24, 2013; and

14 WHEREAS, Chatom United Methodist Church was
15 officially recognized by the Methodist Conference in 1913 and
16 was made part of the St. Stephens Circuit, by the families of
17 J.R. Dickey, F.C. Turner, and J.M. Pelham, Jr.; and

18 WHEREAS, in 2013, the church stands proudly as one
19 of Chatom's last remaining historic buildings, having been
20 completed in 1925; and

21 WHEREAS, the mission of Chatom United Methodist
22 Church, to make disciples for Christ, continues today; the
23 membership also supports the community's schools through
24 financial gifts and volunteering, supports The Fellowship of
25 Christian Athletes, and serves as a meeting place for the
26 Veterans Administration to provide counseling and necessary

1 information for local veterans to receive their benefits and
2 other assistance; and

3 WHEREAS, the church supports the United Methodist
4 Children's Home, the University of South Alabama Wesley
5 Center, and the Department of Human Resources office in
6 Washington County; assistance is offered whenever a need is
7 made known, and many individuals are helped with utility
8 bills, medical expenses, and groceries; and

9 WHEREAS, through the years, the venerable Chatom
10 United Methodist Church has been a beacon of faith in the
11 community, and its leadership and members are truly deserving
12 of special recognition on this momentous occasion; now
13 therefore,

14 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, BOTH
15 HOUSES THEREOF CONCURRING, That Chatom United Methodist Church
16 is hereby most highly honored and commended, and by copy of
17 this resolution to the Reverend Holly Eckert Morales, we
18 extend heartiest congratulations on the Centennial Celebration
19 along with best wishes for the future.