

House Resolution No. 1198

Whereas, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives hold in high esteem those Show-Me State religious organizations that admirably meet the spiritual needs of local communities and neighborhoods as well as engage in good deeds that support and encourage persons and families who often are found on the outskirts of society; and

Whereas, Beacon Free Will Baptist Church of Raytown, Missouri, has attained considerable distinction as a member in good standing with the Missouri State Association of Free Will Baptists and the National Association of Free Will Baptists, Incorporated; and

Whereas, on March 25, 2007, Beacon Free Will Baptist Church will hold a special celebration in light of its reaching the Fiftieth Anniversary of its establishment as an esteemed spiritual institution; and

Whereas, during the past fifty years, Beacon Free Will Baptist Church has developed and maintained an excellent reputation for encouraging Christian faith and practices, commissioning men and women for missionary enterprises in Missouri and throughout the world, and providing financial resources for founding Free Will Baptist churches in the state of Missouri; and

Whereas, Beacon Free Will Baptist Church also deserves mention of its contributions to the Kansas City Union Mission, the Hope House women's shelter for domestic violence, Harvesters Food Pantry, and the Rachel House Pregnancy Resource Center; and

Whereas, it is fitting and proper that the Missouri House of Representatives should pause in its diverse legislative endeavors in order to recognize such outstanding Missouri religious institutions as Beacon Free Will Baptist Church at momentous times in their histories:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-fourth General Assembly, join unanimously to applaud the history, goals, and accomplishments associated with Beacon Free Will Baptist Church and to convey to all of those involved this legislative body's most heartfelt best wishes as they celebrate the Fiftieth Anniversary of their church's founding; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for presentation to Beacon Free Will Baptist Church of Raytown, Missouri.

Offered by _____
 Representative Will Kraus
 District No. 48

I, Rod Jetton, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-fourth General Assembly, First Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. 1198, adopted March 13, 2007.

 Rod Jetton, Speaker