

## House Resolution No. 4181

**Whereas**, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives feel it is altogether fitting and proper to pause from time to time to recognize individuals and organizations that have contributed to the welfare of this great state and its citizens; and

**Whereas**, the members now pause to recognize the St. Martin's United Church of Christ, in Dittmer, Missouri, which has served the Dittmer-Cedar Hill area and beyond for one hundred fifty years; and

**Whereas**, St. Martin's United Church of Christ is celebrating its heritage, proud past, the gift of the present, and hope for a bright future; and

**Whereas**, St. Martin's United Church of Christ provides a place for Sunday worship, Sunday School, Bible study, quilters, Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts, 4-H clubs, a Learning Center, a Care and Counseling Center, Alcoholics Anonymous, Community Emergency Response Training (CERT), Meals on Wheels, Red Cross Blood Drives, free monthly community dinners, regular donations of groceries and cash for Peace Pantry, emergency help to families in need on a regular basis, and special help at Thanksgiving and Christmas with food baskets and gifts, among other services to the community at large; and

**Whereas**, St. Martin's United Church of Christ has received awards and plaques from the Boy Scouts for sponsoring a troop for over forty years; and

**Whereas**, St. Martin's United Church of Christ has received special recognition from the United Church of Christ as a "Five for Five" church, meaning they contribute to the special all-church offering for Neighbors in Need, Strengthen the Church, the Christmas Fund, One Great Hour of Sharing, and our Christian World Mission; and

**Whereas**, St. Martin's United Church of Christ has also been recognized for their gifts to the United Church of Christ sponsored St. Louis area institutions such as the Evangelical Children's Home, Eden Theological Seminary, Neighborhood Houses, and the Emmaus Homes; and

**Whereas**, St. Martin's United Church of Christ supports the needs of their church camps, Mo Val and Shannondale, their youth fellowship mission trips, and provides scholarships for their campers and those attending mission trips; and

**Whereas**, St. Martin's United Church of Christ has a Women's Fellowship, Men's Fellowship, and Youth Fellowship, as well as family and friends of the Church, all of whom contribute in many ways to make their endeavors successful:

**Now, therefore, be it resolved** that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-fourth General Assembly, join to extend our heartiest congratulations to St. Martin's United Church of Christ and wish them many years of prosperity in the future as they search for new avenues of challenge; 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 St. Martin's United Church of Christ of Dittmer, Missouri.

Offered by \_\_\_\_\_

Representative Belinda Harris  
District No. 110

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Representative Michael R. Frame  
District No. 105

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. 4181, adopted July 9, 2007.

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Rod Jetton, Speaker