



State of Tennessee

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 46

By Representatives Floyd, Dean, McCormick, Alexander, Armstrong, Bass, Harry Brooks, Kevin Brooks, Brown, Butt, Campbell, Camper, Carr, Casada, Cobb, Coley, Cooper, Curtiss, Lois DeBerry, Dennis, Dunn, Elam, Eldridge, Evans, Faison, Favors, Fitzhugh, Ford, Forgety, Gilmore, Gotto, Halford, Hall, Hardaway, Harmon, Harrison, Hawk, Haynes, Hensley, Hill, Holt, Hurley, Curtis Johnson, Phillip Johnson, Jones, Keisling, Kernell, Lollar, Lundberg, Maggart, Marsh, Matheny, Matlock, McDaniel, McDonald, McManus, Don Miller, Larry Miller, Montgomery, Moore, Naifeh, Niceley, Odom, Parkinson, Pitts, Pody, Powers, Pruitt, Ragan, Ramsey, Rich, Richardson, Roach, Sanderson, Sargent, Sexton, Shaw, Shepard, Shipley, Sontany, Sparks, Stewart, Swann, Tidwell, Tindell, Todd, Towns, Johnnie Turner, Mike Turner, Watson, Weaver, White, Kent Williams, Ryan Williams, Windle, Wirgau, Womick and Madam Speaker Harwell

A RESOLUTION to honor and recognize the members of Red Bank Baptist Church upon the occasion of the church's 100th Anniversary.

WHEREAS, the members of this General Assembly take great pride in recognizing those time-honored religious institutions and their congregations who, through their unfaltering capacity for love, dedication of character, and faith in God, strive to enrich the lives of people in their communities; and

WHEREAS, the good people of Red Bank Baptist Church comprise one such estimable congregation, and this year they are celebrating their church's 100th Anniversary; and

WHEREAS, in 1911, the Mt. Creek Baptist Church traveled to Red Bank to organize a Baptist church, and on March 25, 1911, the Pleasant Hill Baptist Church was put in order by seven charter members; the indelible founding members were T.L. Rhea, George May, Mrs. George May, George Plumlee, Mrs. George Plumlee, Mrs. Albert Evan, and Mrs. R.L. Sims; and

WHEREAS, at a historic time when congregates would travel to church in wagons and buggies or many would walk for miles to attend services, Pleasant Hill Baptist Church unanimously voted in 1922 to change the name of the church to Red Bank Baptist Church; and

WHEREAS, the virtuous Christians of Red Bank Baptist Church have been worshipping and serving God on the corner of Redding Road and Ashland Terrace since 1923, when property was donated to build the magnificent church; and

WHEREAS, in the 1950s Red Bank Baptist's holy sanctuary was constructed, allowing the church to make significant contributions to the civic, educational, and social fabric of Red Bank, Tennessee; and

WHEREAS, Red Bank Baptist Church could not have become such an integral and historic part of its community had it not been for the dedicated leadership of a great many pastors and staff who have faithfully guided the church and ministered to the community through the many years of the church's existence; and

WHEREAS, during the incredible 100 year history of Red Bank Baptist Church, the congregation has worshipped under the leadership of thirteen pastors; those remembered for their stellar dedication include Reverend A.P. Gallaher, Reverend J.E. Morgan, Reverend C.H. King, Reverend A.T. Hayes, Reverend Maples, Reverend J.C. Pitt, Reverend W.M. Griffith, Dr. C.M. Pickler, Reverend Horace L. Smith, Dr. Ralph E. Norton, Dr. Fred Steelman, Dr. Adam Dooley, and interim pastor Dr. Richard Land; and

WHEREAS, Red Bank Baptist Church is among those institutions upon which a just and orderly society is based; it is a focal point for our citizens to worship their Creator as a community of faith and from which they reach out to the secular community as a response to God's saving grace; and

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WHEREAS, deserving recognition throughout the yearlong centennial celebration, Red Bank Baptist Church's many outstanding ministries include the music ministry, the television ministry, the new college ministry, and the Hispanic ministry which began in 1990; and

WHEREAS, under the devoted leadership of Dr. Land and Joe Ziegler, the music ministry of Red Bank Baptist has grown to 400 participants of the 2,000 current members at the church, exhibiting their talents from God in the various choirs and orchestras; and

WHEREAS, Red Bank Baptist Church is truly one of the great religious institutions and catalysts for positive spiritual change in our state and nation, and the members of this exceptional congregation should be appropriately honored for their exemplary service to their fellow Christians and to the good people of Tennessee; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED SEVENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we honor and recognize the members of Red Bank Baptist Church upon the occasion of the church's 100th Anniversary and extend to this exceptional congregation our best wishes for much continued success in performing God's work.

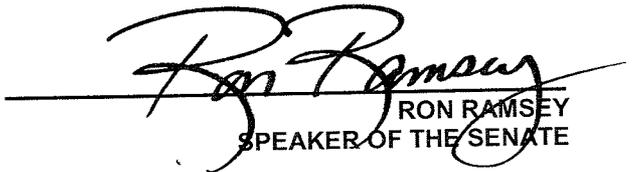
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.

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ADOPTED: FEBRUARY 16, 2011



BETH HARWELL, SPEAKER
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES



RON RAMSEY
SPEAKER OF THE SENATE

APPROVED this 17th day of February 2011


BILL HASLAM, GOVERNOR