

House Resolution 1833

By: Representative Epps of the 132<sup>nd</sup>

#### A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing and commending Union Chapel United Methodist Church; and for other  
2 purposes.

3 WHEREAS, in 1892, Heard Chapel Episcopal Church was started in LaGrange, Georgia, and  
4 24 years later was combined with Youngs Mill Episcopal Church, forming Union Chapel  
5 United Methodist Church under the leadership of Pastor Aaron Hines; and

6 WHEREAS, under the spirit of "a charge to keep I have," Union Chapel built a new church  
7 under the pastorate of Reverend Jim Strickland; and

8 WHEREAS, under the leadership of Pastor Charles Wilhite and after a fire destroyed the  
9 church in 1971, a building fund was started and the consecration of the new Union Chapel  
10 United Methodist Church was held in 1974; and

11 WHEREAS, Union Chapel United Methodist Church continued to grow into the late 20th  
12 century under the motto "a church where everybody is somebody and Jesus is all" and under  
13 the leadership of Pastor Frank Dean, Jr.; and

14 WHEREAS, the church continues to preach, teach, and welcome all who come to its doors,  
15 adopting the theme "standing on the rock," and moves forward under the leadership of  
16 Reverend Walter McMullen; and

17 WHEREAS, Union Chapel United Methodist Church has become a beacon of light and hope  
18 to LaGrange, Georgia, through its 122 years of spiritual service to the community.

19 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that  
20 the members of this body recognize and commend Union Chapel United Methodist Church  
21 and express their most sincere best wishes for continued success.

22 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized  
23 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Union Chapel United  
24 Methodist Church.