

House Resolution 32 - Introduced

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 32

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1 A Resolution celebrating the centennial of Trinity
2 United Methodist Church of Des Moines.

3 WHEREAS, for over a century Trinity United Methodist
4 Church has been a part of the Riverbend community of
5 Des Moines, acting as a witness for peace and social
6 justice and a haven for compassion, feeding both body
7 and soul of those in the community; and

8 WHEREAS, Trinity United has been a place of worship,
9 a place of Christian education, and a place where
10 diverse people are surrounded by a community of love
11 and are sent out into the world to put their faith into
12 action; and

13 WHEREAS, Trinity United embraces three ministries,
14 including the Trinity United Methodist Church, Las
15 Americas faith community, and children and family urban
16 ministries; and

17 WHEREAS, these three ministries offer a variety of
18 community programs, including a prison ministry and an
19 English-as-a-second-language program; and

20 WHEREAS, feeding both the body and soul is most
21 evident in the daily work of these ministries, where
22 every day some 300 people come through the doors,
23 some to learn English, some to attend a citizenship
24 class, and some to simply get a wholesome meal in these
25 hard times where the daily free supper which normally
26 serves around 120 persons now serves as many as 170
27 persons; and

28 WHEREAS, Trinity United Methodist Church can best be

1 summed up in the words of one parishioner: "Trinity
2 continues to go out of its way to be a beacon and a
3 refuge [bringing]... hope to those without hope, joy
4 to the sorrowful [and] relief to the marginalized of
5 society"; NOW THEREFORE,

6 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, That
7 the House of Representatives honors the centennial of
8 Trinity United Methodist Church as it enters into its
9 second century of faith and service, and urges the
10 people of Des Moines to join the Trinity Centennial
11 Celebration, June 11 and 12, 2011, at the landmark
12 church, located at the corner of College and 8th
13 Streets in Des Moines.