

House Resolution 292

By: Representatives Smith of the 129th, Post 2 and Mosley of the 129th, Post 1

A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing Corinth Free Will Baptist Church on its 100th anniversary; and for other
2 purposes.

3 WHEREAS, Corinth Free Will Baptist Church in Alma, Georgia, has a long, distinguished
4 history of service to the church congregation and to the community, providing comfort,
5 understanding, and guidance to individuals from all walks of life; and

6 WHEREAS, the church was organized in 1902 and charter members, Jesse and Ann Mary
7 Carter, Steve and Florence Carter, Harley and Becky Gooden, Rebecca Durrence Moore,
8 Joseph and Georgia Ann Smart, Archibal and Emily Smith, Nellie Smith, Simeon and Martha
9 Smith, Cornelia Sullivan, Manning and Mary Sullivan, Archie and Annie Wade, met in an
10 old sawmill commissary with Rev. Sinclair serving as the first pastor, who was assisted in
11 the organization of the church by Rev. Skelton and Rev. Isaac Blanton; and

12 WHEREAS, later the church met at an old gin house on the Manning Sullivan farm, and in
13 1908, members moved to the present location on two acres of land donated by Jesse Carter
14 where a church building was erected and a church cemetery was also established; and

15 WHEREAS, two additional acres were donated to the church in 1937 by George Carter, son
16 of Ann Mary and Jesse Carter; electric lights were installed in May of 1940; and midweek
17 prayer services and Sunday School for children began in 1946; and

18 WHEREAS, the first church building stood for nearly 39 years; and on April 20, 1947, a new
19 church building was dedicated to God where worship services continue today; and

20 WHEREAS, over the years, various improvements have been made to the sanctuary,
21 fellowship hall, and Sunday School rooms and the congregation has generously supported
22 these accomplishments and received tremendous spirituous blessings in return; and

1 WHEREAS, it is most appropriate that the growth and development of this great church be
2 properly honored and remembered as it celebrates its 100th anniversary.

3 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
4 Corinth Free Will Baptist Church is recognized and congratulated on its fine Christian
5 history of community service and conveyed best wishes on the momentous occasion of its
6 100th anniversary.

7 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
8 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Corinth Free Will Baptist
9 Church.