

House Resolution 821

By: Representatives Smith of the 87th, Butler of the 88th, Post 1, Harper of the 88th, Post 2, Westmoreland of the 86th, and Brown of the 89th

A RESOLUTION

1 Congratulating and commending Newnan First United Methodist Church upon the occasion
2 of its 175th anniversary; and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, Methodist circuit riders entered Coweta County soon after the county's creation
4 and organized in 1828 what is now known as Newnan First United Methodist Church. The
5 original members of the church met in a small log building on Jefferson Street near the
6 present Oak Hill Cemetery; and

7 WHEREAS, due to continued growth in membership over the years, the church relocated to
8 larger facilities on various occasions and now meets in its present sanctuary on Greenville
9 Street, which was completed in 1928 and to which major additions have since been made,
10 including a spacious new parish hall completed in 2001; and

11 WHEREAS, under the leadership of current senior minister Rev. Gary Parrish, membership
12 now stands at 1,777 souls, and the church remains dedicated to its mission of glorifying God
13 through proclamation of the Gospel and service to God's creation; and

14 WHEREAS, the church will hold its 175th anniversary celebration on Heritage Sunday, April
15 27, 2003.

16 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
17 the members of this body congratulate and commend Newnan First United Methodist Church
18 upon the occasion of the church's 175th anniversary and extend every good wish for the
19 future.

20 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
21 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Newnan First United
22 Methodist Church.