House Resolution 1282

By: Representatives Buck of the 112<sup>th</sup>, Smyre of the 111<sup>th</sup>, Hugley of the 113<sup>th</sup>, Buckner of the 109<sup>th</sup>, and Smith of the 110<sup>th</sup>

## A RESOLUTION

1 Congratulating The First Baptist Church, Columbus; and for other purposes.

2 WHEREAS, The First Baptist Church, Columbus was founded originally on February 14,
3 1829; and

WHEREAS, the seeds which were sown by the loving and humble efforts of those devout
worshipers have blossomed into a landmark institution which will celebrate its 175th
anniversary; and

WHEREAS, the congregation of this church has compiled an unparalleled record of
constructive, compassionate, and humanitarian service which it demonstrates daily through
open minds, open hearts, and open doors; and

WHEREAS, the unmatched spiritual assistance offered by this church is a source of strength,
inspiration, and direction for persons of all walks of life and from all economic strata; and

WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that this enduring example of God's message of peace and love be recognized for its innumerable good works rendered on behalf of persons in need.

## NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that the members of this body congratulate The First Baptist Church, Columbus on the occasion of its 175th anniversary, commend the members of the congregation for the many, many decades of steadfast, unselfish, and loving service to the people of this state, and extend to the congregation their best wishes for continued growth and service to the community.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to The First Baptist Church,
Columbus.