House Resolution 1991

By: Representatives Harbin of the 118th, Sims of the 119th, and Fleming of the 117th

A RESOLUTION

1 Commending St. Teresa of Avila Catholic Church in Columbia County on its 40th

2 anniversary; and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, Bishop Gerald Frey established St. Teresa of Avila Catholic Church and parish

4 on September 3, 1968, with the first mass being celebrated on September 29, 1968; and

5 WHEREAS, at its inception, the church had approximately 70 families in its membership;6 and

WHEREAS, today, the church has in excess of 1,600 families in its membership, making it
one of the largest, if not the largest, churches in Columbia County; and

9 WHEREAS, the church has grown physically from a house which served as the place of

10 worship, the parish office, the parish hall, and the residence of the first pastor to the present

11 44 acre campus on Columbia Road; and

WHEREAS, the church continues to grow and serve the spiritual, social, and educational
needs of the area and to provide a feeling of community and hospitality to the people of
Columbia County; and

15 WHEREAS, the church will observe its 40th anniversary of its founding this year.

16 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that

 $17 \quad the members of this body commend St. \, Teresa of Avila \, Catholic \, Church in \, Columbia \, County$

18 on its 40th anniversary and extend their best wishes for continued success in its mission of

19 service to Columbia County and the citizens of this state.

- 1 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
- 2 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to St. Teresa of Avila Catholic
- 3 Church.