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HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 11

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Commending Memorial Baptist Church.

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Patron—Bell, Richard P.

WHEREAS, Memorial Baptist Church, located in Staunton, celebrated 50 years of service to its members and the community in 2013; and

WHEREAS, founded in 1963, Memorial Baptist Church held its first services at the W. J. Perry Building before moving to its current location on Taylor Street; and

WHEREAS, Memorial Baptist Church added new construction to the existing building in 1976, 1992, and 2006 to accommodate a growing congregation; and

WHEREAS, throughout its history, Memorial Baptist Church has had inspired leadership; the Reverend Temple D. Myers led the church for 40 years until his retirement in 2013; and

WHEREAS, Memorial Baptist Church members come together for worship in a welcoming family environment, with many individuals having been members for decades; and

WHEREAS, Memorial Baptist Church members gathered together to celebrate the church's 50th anniversary, singing a song from 50 years ago, hearing from their pastor, and enjoying fellowship with one another; and

WHEREAS, Memorial Baptist Church has grown from a membership of 89 individuals in 1963 to its current membership of more than 1,142 and looks forward to continuing to fulfill its mission in the future; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, That Memorial Baptist Church hereby be commended on the occasion of its 50th anniversary; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the House of Delegates prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to Memorial Baptist Church as an expression of the House of Delegates' congratulations and admiration for the church's dedication to serving its members and the community.