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HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 175

Offered March 10, 2022

3 Commending Wilroy Baptist Church. 4

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5 6 WHEREAS, for more than six decades, Wilroy Baptist Church has served the Suffolk community by 7 providing spiritual leadership, opportunities for joyful worship in the Baptist tradition, and generous 8 outreach programs; and

9 WHEREAS, Wilroy Baptist Church was established on September 11, 1960, and has enriched the 10 lives of generations of Suffolk residents; and

WHEREAS, over the years, the congregation of Wilroy Baptist Church has grown in faith and 11 number and has benefited from the outstanding leadership of numerous pastors; the church is currently 12 under the leadership of the Reverend Timothy Rawls as interim pastor; and 13

WHEREAS, during the COVID-19 pandemic, Wilroy Baptist Church adjusted its ministries to 14 15 continue meeting the needs of the community; the church offered outdoor worship services to allow for social distancing, established a food bank to support local families, and hosted vaccination clinics; and 16

WHEREAS, in 2022, the Wilroy Baptist Church congregation continues to thrive and serve people in 17 need in Suffolk and throughout the Commonwealth, the nation, and the world; now, therefore, be it 18

19 RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, That Wilroy Baptist Church hereby be commended for its 20 legacy of service to the Suffolk community; and, be it

21 RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the House of Delegates prepare a copy of this resolution

22 for presentation to Wilroy Baptist Church as an expression House of Delegates' admiration for the 23

church's contributions to spiritual life and community engagement in Suffolk.