

2021 SPECIAL SESSION II

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HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 838

Commending St. Peter's Episcopal Church.

Agreed to by the House of Delegates, August 9, 2021

WHEREAS, on September 12, 2021, St. Peter's Episcopal Church will celebrate 150 years of providing spiritual leadership, generous community outreach, and opportunities for joyful worship to the Purcellville community; and

WHEREAS, St. Peter's Episcopal Church traces its deepest roots to 1871, when the church that would become St. Paul's Episcopal Church of Hamilton was established; and

WHEREAS, over the course of the following 41 years, two additional Episcopal churches were added to Madison Parish, Mount Calvary Episcopal Church in Round Hill in 1892 and the original St. Peter's Episcopal Church, located on Main Street in Purcellville, in 1912; and

WHEREAS, in the early 1960s, the three existing Episcopal churches in Madison Parish recognized the benefits of consolidation and selected Purcellville as the most central location for the new church and a new St. Peter's church was constructed at its present location on Glendale Street to accommodate the merged congregations; and

WHEREAS, in the late 1980s, the nave, chapel, and sanctuary were added to St. Peter's to accommodate the growing congregation; and

WHEREAS, in recent years, St. Peter's has continued to grow and expand, serving approximately 200 congregants and working with other community groups to provide necessary services; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, That St. Peter's Episcopal Church of Purcellville hereby be commended on the occasion of its 150th anniversary; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the House of Delegates prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to Father Tom Simmons, Rector of St. Peter's Episcopal Church, as an expression of the House of Delegates' admiration for the church's legacy of service to the Purcellville community.

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