THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE RESOLUTION

No. 1028 Session of 2014

INTRODUCED BY PAINTER, READSHAW, HENNESSEY, MIRABITO, COHEN, DIGIROLAMO, THOMAS, KINSEY, HEFFLEY, CALTAGIRONE, SONNEY, HARHART, KAVULICH, VEREB, MILLARD, YOUNGBLOOD, MCNEILL, MAHONEY, BENNINGHOFF, GINGRICH, MCCARTER, D. COSTA, MAJOR, ROSS, GROVE, FLECK AND ROCK, SEPTEMBER 17, 2014

INTRODUCED AS NONCONTROVERSIAL RESOLUTION UNDER RULE 35, SEPTEMBER 17, 2014

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Honoring the 50th anniversary of the St. James Lutheran Church 2 building in Limerick Township, Montgomery County.
- 3 WHEREAS, St. James Evangelical Lutheran Church was founded in
- 4 1818 as part of a union church with St. James Reformed Church,
- 5 now St. James United Church of Christ; and
- 6 WHEREAS, Residents of Limerick Township, Montgomery County,
- 7 wanted a church near their homes where they could worship and
- 8 have the Gospel preached to them; and
- 9 WHEREAS, The congregation included English-speaking and
- 10 German-speaking residents of the Limerick Township area; and
- 11 WHEREAS, One of the most significant events in the life of
- 12 the church was the splitting of that union and the construction
- 13 of this building in 1964, which allowed the church to grow and
- 14 reach out to many new people; and
- 15 WHEREAS, St. James Lutheran Church works to foster a
- 16 community that helps all people grow in their faith and

- 1 strengthen their relationship with Christ; and
- 2 WHEREAS, Families are an important part of St. James Lutheran
- 3 Church and one of its goals is to partner with parents and other
- 4 caregivers as they pass on their faith to the younger
- 5 generations; and
- 6 WHEREAS, St. James Lutheran Church has a youth ministry
- 7 program called The Well, a place where teens can come as they
- 8 are, meet new people and grow in their faith; and
- 9 WHEREAS, In addition, there are several programs and
- 10 cornerstones of the Children's Ministry, including Nursery Care,
- 11 the Kids Connect program, the Summer Kids Connect program and
- 12 available parent resources; and
- 13 WHEREAS, As part of the church's family ministry, there are
- 14 many intergenerational events held throughout the year to
- 15 provide opportunities for families to come together with other
- 16 families, including Rally Day, Advent Night, Walk with Jesus/Egg
- 17 Hunt, Faschnacht Talent Show and more; and
- 18 WHEREAS, With this rich history, St. James Lutheran Church
- 19 continues to move into the future with confidence, excitement
- 20 and hope; therefore be it
- 21 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives honor the 50th
- 22 anniversary of the St. James Lutheran Church building in
- 23 Limerick Township, Montgomery County; and be it further
- 24 RESOLVED, That a copy of this resolution be forwarded to St.
- 25 James Lutheran Church, 93 Kugler Road, Limerick, PA 19468.