

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 770

By Clemmons

A RESOLUTION to commend and honor St. Luke's Community House on the occasion of its 109th anniversary.

WHEREAS, it is the privilege of the members of this General Assembly to pay tribute to those exemplary organizations and their remarkable personnel who work with purpose and conviction to improve the quality of life in their respective communities; and

WHEREAS, one such estimable organization is St. Luke's Community House of Nashville, which is commemorating its 109th anniversary this year, marking more than a century of good works for its community; and

WHEREAS, St. Luke's is committed to creating a community where children, families, and seniors from different backgrounds can easily access the resources they need to live fulfilling lives; and

WHEREAS, St. Luke's was established in 1913 as The West Nashville Clinic by the Daughters of the King, an order of the Episcopal Church, and began in four rooms of its current house to serve the families of inmates at the state penitentiary; and

WHEREAS, St. Luke's offerings have undergone a number of changes since its beginning, including the addition of a gym and kindergarten in 1930 and a kitchen in 1941, the opening of the This n' That thrift shop in 1971, and the establishment of a food bank in 1981; and

WHEREAS, always working for the common good, St. Luke's Community House in more recent times has established an adult literacy and shelter program, constructed the Fred D. Rogers Center, and opened an afterschool program; and

WHEREAS, it is most fitting that we recognize St. Luke's Community House for its countless contributions to the well-being of the residents of Tennessee; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED TWELFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we commemorate the 109th anniversary of St. Luke's Community House, salute its continuing mission to educate, enrich, and empower, and extend our best wishes for much continued success.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy and upon proper request made to the appropriate clerk, the language appearing immediately following the State seal appear without House or Senate designation.