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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION commemorating the 125th Anniversary of The United Methodist Church of Floral Park on May 31, 2015

WHEREAS, Religious institutions, and the many spiritual, social and educational benefits they confer, play a vital role in the development of the moral fabric of a responsible citizenry; and WHEREAS, It is the tradition of this State and Nation to pay tribute to those institutions and individuals who have contributed to the ethical and spiritual values of their communities; and WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to commemorate the 125th Anniversary of The United Methodist Church of Floral Park to be celebrated at a luncheon on Sunday, May 31, 2015, in Floral Park, New York; and

WHEREAS, A vital part of the Floral Park community since 1890, The United Methodist Church of Floral Park was the first church to be founded in its area; and

WHEREAS, Throughout the years, The United Methodist Church of Floral Park has remained steadfast in its commitment to providing a comfortable, welcoming environment for its members; and WHEREAS, Today, this family-oriented church continues to embody the traditions of its founders as it strives to grow spiritually; the organization also continues to be a proud supporter of the United Methodist policy of Open doors, Open minds, Open hearts; and WHEREAS, Under the luminous guidance of Pastor Gainus Sikes, The United Methodist Church of Floral Park stands on the threshold of tomorrow, prepared to meet the challenges of the coming decades while retain-

ing that spiritual resolve which characterizes its distinguished past;

and

WHEREAS, It is the custom of this Legislative Body to take note of enduring religious institutions and to bring such institutions to the attention of the people of this Empire State; now, therefore, be it RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to proudly commemorate the 125th Anniversary of The United Methodist Church of Floral Park on May 31, 2015; and be it further RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Pastor Gainus Sikes, The United Methodist Church of Floral Park.