

1           A RESOLUTION congratulating the membership of Alton Christian Church on the  
2 occasion of the 150th anniversary of the church's founding.

3           "Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father,  
4 and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost: Teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I  
5 have commanded you: and, lo, I am with you always, even unto the end of the world.  
6 Amen." Holy Bible, Matthew 28:19-20

7           WHEREAS, trustees Allen Roach, John Stout, and J. W. Speer purchased land on  
8 behalf of the church that would be known as Alton Christian Church for the sum of \$140,  
9 and whereupon the foundations of that church were laid in the Year of Our Lord 1872;  
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11           WHEREAS, first named Buck Lick Christian Church, renamed the Christian  
12 Church of Rough and Ready--the name of the town in which the church was located,  
13 itself named in honor of Zachary Taylor and which would later be renamed Alton; and

14           WHEREAS, in 1876, the town named Rough and Ready was, in fact, renamed to  
15 Alton, and the church followed suit, being christened Alton Christian Church; and

16           WHEREAS, Alton Christian Church is known for a strong tradition of pastoral  
17 leadership, from serving as the first home for pastors who were students, who would  
18 grow to be leaders in Christ, to serving as a home for numerous seasoned pastors such as  
19 the Reverend Luther Stanley, father of A.O. Stanley: governor, congressman, and  
20 statesman; and

21           WHEREAS, Alton Christian Church, having its foundation built firmly upon the  
22 rock of Christ, has been lifted and maintained by its loving members over the years who  
23 have financed, moved, and furnished the church, and who have provided gifts of service,  
24 such as music, board membership, stewardship of finances, and many more services, that  
25 are critical to the vitality of the church; and

26           WHEREAS, 2022 marks the 150th anniversary of the founding of the Alton  
27 Christian Church;

1           NOW, THEREFORE,

2       *Be it resolved by the Senate of the General Assembly of the Commonwealth of*  
3       *Kentucky:*

4           ➔Section 1. The Senate congratulates the membership of Alton Christian Church  
5       on the occasion of the 150th anniversary of the church's founding. The Senate asserts that  
6       Alton Christian Church will one day celebrate its 300th anniversary, due to its firm  
7       foundation both upon the Lord's Word and upon the manifold efforts of its membership in  
8       making disciples of all nations.

9           ➔Section 2. The Senate furthermore recalls the words of Matthew 7:24-25 that  
10      say, "Therefore whosoever heareth these sayings of mine, and doeth them, I will liken  
11      him unto a wise man, which built his house upon a rock: And the rain descended, and the  
12      floods came, and the winds blew, and beat upon that house; and it fell not: for it was  
13      founded upon a rock," and, in recalling these words, affirms that Alton Christian Church  
14      is built firmly on the rock, and the membership of Alton Christian Church, past, present,  
15      and future, puts the words of the Lord into practice.

16          ➔Section 3. The Clerk of the Senate is directed to transmit a copy of this  
17      Resolution to Senator Adrienne Southworth for presentation to Pastor Noal Cotton, Jr.,  
18      and to the trustees and congregation of Alton Christian Church.