

COMMENDATION

RECOGNIZING SYLVANNAH BAPTIST CHURCH 150TH ANNIVERSARY

WHEREAS, Sylvannah Baptist Church will celebrate its 150th anniversary November 20, 2017 and has made significant contributions to Spotsylvania County and surrounding communities; and

WHEREAS, the church is one of the oldest African American churches in the County, organized in 1867; and

WHEREAS, the earliest name of the church was “Sylvania Baptist Church,” but was later changed to “Sylvannah” to avoid confusion with later congregations that adopted similar names; and

WHEREAS, Reverend Dennis A. Woodward, Sr., is the longest serving pastor in Spotsylvania County and was recognized as such by Board resolution in 2009; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Spotsylvania County Board of Supervisors, this 8th day of August 2017, publicly recognizes Sylvannah Baptist Church and extends on behalf of its members and the residents of Spotsylvania, appreciation for the church’s service and contributions to the County.

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A COPY TESTE:

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Deputy Clerk to the Board of Supervisors