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CELEBRATING THE COMPLETION OF THE DR. C.L. HOGUE
ACTIVITY CENTER AT NEW GREATER FIRST MISSIONARY BAPTIST
CHURCH.

WHEREAS, through the guidance of the Holy Spirit and
the leadership of Pastor Carlton L. Hogue, a three-fold
mission for New Greater First Missionary Baptist Church, known
as the "THREE Cs": Clergy, Church, and Community, was
presented to the membership in 2014, to elevate its thinking
and prepare hearts for being of service to others; in this
plan, God was at work showing the members how to move forward
by aiding their leader, members, and the needs of the
community when called upon; and

WHEREAS, shortly after this implementation in 2015,
an offer to purchase two properties adjacent to the current
sanctuary were received and deeds were signed; upon receiving
deeds to these properties, plans were presented to the
membership later in 2015 to erect an Activity Center as an
attachment to the current edifice; and

1 WHEREAS, during the morning worship services on
2 December 15, 2019, it was approved by the Church that the
3 Activity Center would be named the Dr. C.L. Hogue Activity
4 Center; and

5 WHEREAS, in every proposal to have new conveniences
6 added, a period of preparation had to take place; with the
7 leadership of Pastor Hogue, many financial milestones were
8 witnessed during 2016 and 2017; and

9 WHEREAS, the membership continued to follow
10 leadership by praying and paying from 2017 until present; on
11 December 15, 2019, Ground Breaking Ceremonies were held after
12 the morning service; clearing began at the site on February
13 15, 2020, and construction of the Dr. C.L. Hogue Activity
14 Center officially began February 17, 2020; and

15 WHEREAS, news of a virus outbreak that would affect
16 the entire world was on the horizon; the members understood
17 that man can plan, but God can unplan; on March 8, 2020,
18 Pastor Hogue gave the members the Word on how to deal with the
19 situation "IN THE MEANTIME," Jeremiah 29:4-7; and

20 WHEREAS, the method of worship changed to
21 teleconference on Sunday, April 12, 2020; financial
22 obligations never waivered and attendance for online service
23 averaged 86 families per Sunday; because of the faithfulness
24 of the members, the building project resumed in mid-April
25 2020; construction "hick-ups" caused other minor delays;
26 however, the members never lost hope and the Dr. C.L. Hogue
27 Activity Center was completed on December 28, 2021; to God Be

1 The Glory as the church continues to be "ABOUT OUR FATHER'S
2 BUSINESS, Luke 2:49; now therefore,

3 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF
4 THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, That it is a unique privilege to
5 commend the New Greater First Missionary Baptist Church, which
6 is honored for the completion of the Dr. C.L. Hogue Activity
7 Center on December 28, 2021; and by copy of this resolution we
8 convey our congratulations and best wishes for the future.