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H.C.R. No. 76

CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, Monsignor Larry J. Droll, vicar general of the
2 Diocese of San Angelo, celebrates his 60th birthday on February 16,
3 2007, and this important milestone offers a fitting opportunity to
4 recognize this esteemed clergyman; and

5 WHEREAS, Installed as vicar general in March 2004, Monsignor
6 Droll has also served as pastor of St. Ann Parish in Midland from
7 that date; since being ordained into the priesthood on June 15,
8 1973, he has ably served at several parishes in San Angelo as well
9 as churches in Ozona and Wall; and

10 WHEREAS, Monsignor Droll held numerous positions in the
11 diocese before his appointment as vicar general, including diocesan
12 director of Catholic Relief Services, moderator of curia, director
13 of seminarians, and chancellor; his tribunal assignments include
14 procurator-advocate and defender of the bond, a post he continues
15 to hold; and

16 WHEREAS, A *summa cum laude* graduate of St. Mary's University
17 in San Antonio, the monsignor attended Assumption Seminary while
18 earning a bachelor's degree in sociology; after attending St.
19 John's School of Theology-Seminary in Collegeville, Minnesota, he
20 earned a master's degree in theology from St. John's University and
21 a licentiate in canon law from The Catholic University of America in
22 Washington, D.C.; and

23 WHEREAS, Monsignor Droll has been active with the Knights of
24 Columbus since August 1986, serving as chaplain for councils in San

1 Angelo, Wall, and Midland; he was the spiritual advisor for
2 Catholic Life Insurance from 1998 to 2006, and he continues to work
3 in partnership with the Diocese of San Pedro Sula in Honduras; and

4 WHEREAS, Throughout his career in the clergy, Monsignor Droll
5 has served his fellow Catholics with dignity and grace, offering
6 comfort in times of sorrow, encouragement in times of change, and
7 advice in times of crisis; his dedication and faith are an
8 inspiration to all who know him, and he is most worthy of special
9 recognition; now, therefore, be it

10 RESOLVED, That the 80th Legislature of the State of Texas
11 hereby honor Monsignor Larry J. Droll on the occasion of his 60th
12 birthday and extend to him best wishes for the future; and, be it
13 further

14 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
15 prepared for Monsignor Droll as an expression of high regard by the
16 Texas House of Representatives and Senate.