

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, The Knights of Peter Claver, Inc., is celebrating
2 the 100th anniversary of its founding at the organization's 94th
3 Annual Convention, which is being held in New Orleans in August
4 2009; and

5 WHEREAS, Established in Mobile, Alabama, in 1909, the
6 organization is the only African American Catholic fraternal order
7 in the nation; the order promotes faith, dedication to the Catholic
8 Church, and service to the community, and includes in its mission
9 the rendering of aid and assistance to the sick and disabled as well
10 as the promotion of social and intellectual association among its
11 members; and

12 WHEREAS, Through the years, the Knights of Peter Claver has
13 added a number of divisions, including Fourth Degree, Junior
14 Knights, Ladies Auxiliary, Junior Daughters and Knights, and Ladies
15 of Grace Meritorious; today, the group has more than 800
16 subordinate units in the United States as well as one in Colombia;
17 and

18 WHEREAS, Performing charitable works in a spirit of
19 friendship and unity, members of the Knights of Peter Claver have
20 contributed to their communities in innumerable ways, and it is a
21 pleasure to honor these individuals as they celebrate this
22 milestone in the life of their organization; now, therefore, be it

23 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 81st Texas
24 Legislature hereby congratulate the Knights of Peter Claver, Inc.,

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1 on the 100th anniversary of its founding, commemorate the
2 organization's 94th Annual Convention in New Orleans, and recognize
3 August 3, 2009, as the Knights of Peter Claver Day; and, be it
4 further

5 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
6 prepared for the group as an expression of high regard by the Texas
7 House of Representatives.

Turner of Harris

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 1401 was adopted by the House on April 27, 2009, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House