

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 1241

WHEREAS, The Senate of the State of Texas is pleased to recognize Father Jayme Mathias for his outstanding service as pastor of Cristo Rey Catholic Church; and

WHEREAS, A member of the Conventual Franciscan Friars, Father Mathias earned *summa cum laude* degrees in philosophy and in classical languages from Saint Louis University, where he was the Henley Scholar of Classical Languages; he began his service to Cristo Rey Catholic Church in 1995 as its first director of youth ministry; and

WHEREAS, He returned to his studies at the Washington Theological Union, earning a master of divinity degree and coordinating a highly successful summer school program at the school; he also worked in the campus ministry at Georgetown University, and he was ordained into the priesthood in 2001; he returned to Cristo Rey Catholic Church in Austin as associate pastor; and

WHEREAS, Father Mathias emphasizes education in his ministry so that his parishioners can take advantage of all the opportunities available to them; he is also committed to the Catholic ideal of social justice and has been outspoken about the necessity of safe working conditions as an embodiment of that principle; and

WHEREAS, Inspirational and dedicated to helping others, this beloved pastor has devoted his time and talent unselfishly to the members of his parish and the Austin community; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 82nd Legislature, hereby commend Father Jayme Mathias on his exceptional service to Cristo Rey Catholic Church and extend to him best wishes for continued success in all his future endeavors; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution be prepared for him as an expression of esteem from the Texas Senate.

Watson

President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the
above Resolution was adopted by
the Senate on May 28, 2011.

Secretary of the Senate

Member, Texas Senate