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H.R. No. 153

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Members of the St. Vincent de Paul Catholic Church
2 of Austin gathered together to celebrate the dedication of their
3 new sanctuary on December 29, 2012; and

4 WHEREAS, Founded in 1995 with 240 parishioners, St. Vincent
5 de Paul Catholic Church held services at Deerpark Middle School, in
6 northwest Austin, during its early years; as the congregation grew,
7 families and the diocese worked together to build a multipurpose
8 worship space, which was completed in 2001; the church rolls have
9 grown by approximately 100 new families a year since 2004 and now
10 include some 1,500 registered parishioner families, many of whom
11 contributed to the campaign to fund the new sanctuary; and

12 WHEREAS, Particularly deserving of recognition for the
13 completion of this project are the members of the building
14 committee, which was established in 2007; that group was composed
15 of John Cooke and Mark Fair, co-chairs, along with Mari Silva, Wade
16 Champion, Joe Roche, Lynn Wagner, Paul Tisch, Father Daniel
17 E. Garcia, Mike Moyer, Mike Moore, David Ochoa, and Dave Olander;
18 and

19 WHEREAS, For more than 17 years, St. Vincent de Paul Catholic
20 Church has played a vital role in the community; providing area
21 residents with myriad opportunities for spiritual growth, it offers
22 a number of worthwhile programs, including service ministries,
23 study groups, and fellowship gatherings; and

24 WHEREAS, This dynamic congregation benefits from the able

1 leadership of Father Garcia and Father Ron Feather as well as from
2 the dedicated efforts of its deacons, seminarian, and staff; and

3 WHEREAS, Sustained by a common purpose, warm fellowship, and
4 inspired teaching, the members of St. Vincent de Paul Catholic
5 Church have remained steadfast in their faith and in their ministry
6 to the world around them, and it is a pleasure to join in
7 celebrating this special milestone in the life of their church;
8 now, therefore, be it

9 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 83rd Texas
10 Legislature hereby commemorate the dedication of the new sanctuary
11 for St. Vincent de Paul Catholic Church of Austin and extend to its
12 members sincere best wishes for the future; and, be it further

13 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
14 prepared for the church as an expression of high regard by the Texas
15 House of Representatives.