

By: Alonzo

H.R. No. 2232

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Members of St. Michael the Archangel Catholic
2 Church in Grand Prairie are celebrating the 30th anniversary of the
3 church's founding on May 17, 2015; and

4 WHEREAS, This house of worship was first conceived in the
5 late 1970s by the Reverend John Brennan, then pastor of Immaculate
6 Conception Catholic Church; wanting to accommodate the growing
7 Catholic population in South Grand Prairie, he cofounded a mission
8 there in early 1984 that would become St. Michael the Archangel
9 Catholic Church; the first mass was held that March at Zavala
10 Elementary School with 314 people in attendance; and

11 WHEREAS, In June 1985, Father John Fowler was installed as
12 the church's inaugural pastor, and the following year, construction
13 began on a new church complex, which was dedicated on December 5,
14 1987; today, members benefit from the energetic leadership of
15 Father Joseph Hoa Duc Trinh and from the tireless efforts of all the
16 church staff; and

17 WHEREAS, For three decades, St. Michael the Archangel
18 Catholic Church has served as a source of inspiration and guidance
19 to many Grand Prairie residents who seek a full and meaningful
20 spiritual life, and it is a pleasure to recognize the continuing
21 commitment of this congregation to its faith and to the wider
22 community; now, therefore, be it

23 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 84th Texas
24 Legislature hereby commemorate the 30th anniversary of the founding

H.R. No. 2232

1 of St. Michael the Archangel Catholic Church and extend to the
2 congregation sincere best wishes for the future; and, be it further

3 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
4 prepared for the church as an expression of high regard by the Texas
5 House of Representatives.