

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 13

WHEREAS, The Senate of the State of Texas is pleased to recognize the First Presbyterian Church in Galveston on the grand occasion of its 175th anniversary, which is being celebrated January 17 and 18, 2015; and

WHEREAS, First Presbyterian Church was organized by local citizens on January 1, 1840, when Galveston Island was home to only a few hundred residents; the sanctuary that was erected on the southwest corner of 19th and Church Streets was the first church constructed on the island; and

WHEREAS, Over the years, the church has served as a refuge to the public during hurricanes and other times of crisis; though it has seen extensive damage, the structure has remained unshaken, and the sanctuary has been restored to its original grandeur; and

WHEREAS, Under the wise stewardship of its pastors, the First Presbyterian Church has served both its membership and other people of Galveston through its mission and ministry programs, and it will continue to serve the citizens of Galveston for generations to come; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 84th Legislature, hereby extend congratulations to the clergy and members of First Presbyterian Church in Galveston and best wishes to all for a joyous 175th anniversary celebration; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution be prepared for the church as a token of esteem from the Texas Senate.

Taylor of Galveston

President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on January 15, 2015.

Secretary of the Senate

Member, Texas Senate