

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 975

WHEREAS, For 100 years, residents of Dallas have joined together to celebrate their faith at Holy Trinity Greek Orthodox Church; and

WHEREAS, Established in South Dallas in 1915 by immigrants from Greece, Holy Trinity has since played a vital role in the community, growing with the city and providing members with myriad opportunities for fellowship and outreach; the current church facility, with its beautiful Byzantine iconography, was built in 1991 and serves more than 1,000 parish families; and

WHEREAS, The congregation has benefited from the able leadership of a number of dedicated priests through the decades; today, that tradition is continued by the Reverend Christopher Constantinides, who has been the presiding priest since 2006 and who served as an assistant priest at Holy Trinity in the late 1970s and early 1980s; and

WHEREAS, The members of the parish are observing the church's centennial with a variety of special events in 2015, including a golf tournament, a gala, and an Orthodox Ecclesiastical exhibit at the Museum of Biblical Art; moreover, in September the church will host its 59th Annual Greek Food Festival of Dallas, a popular gathering that honors the Greek Orthodox faith, culture, cuisine, and traditions; and

WHEREAS, Holy Trinity Greek Orthodox Church has long served as a source of inspiration and guidance to those who worship there, and its continued existence is a testament to the unwavering commitment of its members and clergy, both past and present; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 84th Legislature, hereby commemorate the 100th anniversary of Holy Trinity Greek Orthodox Church and extend to its congregation sincere best wishes for the future; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That an official copy of this Resolution be prepared for the church as an expression of high regard from the Texas Senate.

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President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on May 25, 2015.

Secretary of the Senate

Member, Texas Senate