

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Monsignor Xavier Pappu of St. Matthew Catholic
2 Church in Longview is celebrating the 40th anniversary of his
3 ordination as a priest on May 10, 2021, and this occasion truly
4 merits special recognition; and

5 WHEREAS, Born in the state of Tamil Nadu in India, Monsignor
6 Pappu was ordained as a priest in 1981; he came to Texas in 1999,
7 when he was invited to join the Diocese of Tyler by Bishop Edmond
8 Carmody; and

9 WHEREAS, From 1999 to 2002, Monsignor Pappu was a priest at
10 St. Theresa Catholic Church in Gladewater, and from 2002 until
11 2010, he was the pastor at St. Matthew Catholic Church in Longview;
12 during that time, he also served the diocese as vicar general under
13 Bishop Alvaro Corrada del Rio; and

14 WHEREAS, Monsignor Pappu was the pastor of Sacred Heart
15 Catholic Church in Texarkana from 2010 to 2012, when he returned to
16 St. Matthew in Longview; he has ably led the church for the last
17 nine years, earning the deep respect and admiration of his
18 congregation; and

19 WHEREAS, Over the course of the past four decades, Monsignor
20 Xavier Pappu has wholeheartedly committed his talents and energies
21 to the spiritual enrichment of others, and his strong faith and
22 compassion have benefited countless people; now, therefore, be it

23 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 87th Texas
24 Legislature hereby congratulate Monsignor Xavier Pappu on the 40th

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1 anniversary of his ordination as a priest and extend to him sincere
2 best wishes for the future; and, be it further

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

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 1067 was adopted by the House on May 14, 2021, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House