

## House Resolution No. 1065

**Whereas**, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives always welcome the opportunity to acknowledge milestone events in the histories of Show-Me State religious institutions that admirably meet the spiritual needs of local communities and neighborhoods; and

**Whereas**, Saint Martins Catholic Church of Jefferson City, Missouri, was founded in 1885 with the Reverend John Schramm serving as its first pastor; and

**Whereas**, on July 8, 2007, Saint Martins Catholic Church, its current pastor Father Ed Schmidt, and its parishioners will sponsor a "Salute to America" Church Picnic that will be the One Hundred Fifth such annual event since the early 1900s; and

**Whereas**, the Irish, Swiss, French, and German immigrants who settled in the area not only established Saint Martins Catholic Church, but also a parish school that was taught by lay teachers until 1911 when the School Sisters of Saint Francis arrived to take over the educational duties; and

**Whereas**, after fire destroyed the original church building, Saint Martins Catholic Church built a larger wood-frame structure in 1899, shortly before the picnic tradition began; and

**Whereas**, in 1933 a new school was completed and was staffed by the School Sisters of Notre Dame with an addition dedicated in 1961, the Doyle Youth Center added in 1972, and additional classrooms constructed in 1974 and 1978; and

**Whereas**, Saint Martins Catholic Church has developed and maintained an exceptional reputation as a progressive and financially sound parish that has grown from 175 families in 1967 to approximately 700 today; and

**Whereas**, to meet the needs of its growing congregation, Saint Martins Catholic Church broke ground in 1966 for its current building, which is fan shaped, can seat 500, and contains a kitchen and cafeteria/hall:

**Now, therefore, be it resolved** that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-fourth General Assembly, join unanimously to applaud the history, goals, and accomplishments associated with Saint Martins Catholic Church and to convey to all of those involved this legislative body's most heartfelt best wishes as they hold the 105th Annual Church Picnic on July 8, 2007; and

**Be it further resolved** that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution in honor of Saint Martins Catholic Church of Jefferson City, Missouri.

Offered by \_\_\_\_\_  
 Representative Bill Deeken  
 District No. 114

I, Rod Jetton, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-fourth General Assembly, First Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. 1065, adopted March 8, 2007.

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 Rod Jetton, Speaker