

House Resolution 1645

By: Representative Petrea of the 166th

A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing and commending Our Lady of Good Hope Chapel on the occasion of its 150th
2 anniversary; and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, the seeds which were sown by the loving and humble efforts of the devoted
4 original worshipers of Our Lady of Good Hope Chapel have blossomed, establishing a rich
5 tradition and history; and

6 WHEREAS, organized in 1874, Our Lady of Good Hope Chapel has grown under the divine
7 direction of numerous pastors over the years, allowing the Word of God to spread throughout
8 the community; and

9 WHEREAS, this exemplary chapel served as a beacon of hope and a place of refuge during
10 the yellow fever epidemic of 1876, wherein the Benedictine Fathers provided care to the sick
11 and the monastery was converted into a hospital; and

12 WHEREAS, through the determined efforts of the Benedictines of St. Vincent's Archabbey
13 in Pennsylvania, the Diocese of Savannah, and the Isle of Hope community, Our Lady of
14 Good Hope Chapel has remained a spiritual hub for Catholics on the Isle of Hope for 150
15 years; and

16 WHEREAS, the story of Our Lady of Good Hope Chapel is one of triumph through the grace
17 and sustaining power of God, and it stands as an immovable witness to the truth that God
18 keeps His promise; and

19 WHEREAS, the members of Our Lady of Good Hope Chapel have a sincere desire to serve
20 the Lord and are wholeheartedly committed to spreading the gospel of Jesus Christ; and

21 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that this enduring example of God's message
22 of peace and love be appropriately honored for its innumerable good works rendered on
23 behalf of persons in need.

24 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
25 the members of this body recognize the rich history of Our Lady of Good Hope Chapel,
26 commend its 150 years of dedicated service to the Lord and community, and extend their
27 warmest best wishes for its continued growth and success.

28 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
29 and directed to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to Our
30 Lady of Good Hope Chapel.