

2026 Regular Session

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 397

BY REPRESENTATIVE ILLG

COMMENDATIONS: Commends the Reverend Monsignor Robert D. Massett on the occasion of his sixtieth Jubilee of Ordination

1 A RESOLUTION

2 To commend the Reverend Monsignor Robert D. Massett on the occasion of his sixtieth
3 Jubilee of Ordination.

4 WHEREAS, the Reverend Monsignor Robert D. Massett was born on December 6,
5 1938, and baptized on December 25, 1938; his home church parish was St. Cecilia Catholic
6 Church, and he graduated as salutatorian of the Class of 1955 at Holy Cross School; and

7 WHEREAS, prior to discerning his vocation, Reverend Monsignor Massett studies
8 engineering at Tulane University; he then attended St. Joseph Seminary College and
9 received a bachelor of arts and graduated cum laude from Notre Dame Seminary; and

10 WHEREAS, Reverend Monsignor Massett completed his religious education at the
11 American College of the Immaculate Conception in Louvain, Belgium, and was ordained
12 by Archbishop Hannan on June 11, 1966; and

13 WHEREAS, Reverend Monsignor Massett celebrated his first mass on June 12,
14 1966, at St. Cecilia Catholic Church and received his priest on June 27, 1966, serving at Our
15 Lady of the Rosary; his final assignment was as pastor of St. Mary Magdalen Catholic
16 Church, where he served from 1995 until his retirement in 2016; and

17 WHEREAS, Reverend Monsignor Massett has also served at St. Rita in Harahan, St.
18 Frances Cabrini, St. Mark, and the Chancery's Office of Catholic Schools, Christian
19 Formation, and CYO; he served chaplaincies at the Serra Club, CCSCC, Cabrini High
20 School, and Archbishop Chapelle High School; and

1 WHEREAS, Reverend Monsignor Massett currently serves as the priest in residence
2 at Metairie Manor and has held this role since 2016; he is known as "The Marryin' Priest"
3 for having officiated at more than one thousand five hundred weddings; and

4 WHEREAS, Reverend Monsignor Robert D. Massett is most deserving of
5 recognition for dedicating six decades of service in Catholic ministry.

6 THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the House of Representatives of the
7 Legislature of Louisiana does hereby commend the Reverend Monsignor Robert D. Massett
8 on the occasion of his sixtieth Jubilee of Ordination and does hereby extend sincere wishes
9 that he remain happy, healthy, and prosperous as he continues to fulfill his vocational duties.

DIGEST

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Commends the Reverend Monsignor Robert D. Massett on the occasion of his 60th Jubilee of Ordination.