HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 28

Commending the Church of the Infant Jesus of Prague.

Agreed to by the House of Delegates, January 10, 2014

WHEREAS, the Church of the Infant Jesus of Prague in Wakefield proudly celebrated 60 years of service to the community in 2013; and

WHEREAS, the Church of the Infant Jesus of Prague traces its beginnings to 1943, when Detroit resident Larry Monahan, Sr., traveled to Wakefield and bought the popular Virginia Diner; and

WHEREAS, in 1952, Larry Monahan, Sr., purchased the land across the street from the Virginia Diner to build the Church of the Infant Jesus of Prague; and

WHEREAS, the Church of the Infant Jesus of Prague received strong support from the local community; residents donated funds for bricks, diner patrons made contributions, local resident Peck Gray gave the rafters, and a total of $30,000 was raised; and

WHEREAS, the Church of the Infant Jesus of Prague opens its doors seven days a week for local residents and visitors passing through the area; and

WHEREAS, the Church of the Infant Jesus of Prague celebrated its 60th anniversary on November 2, 2013, with a reception and special mass; and

WHEREAS, the Church of the Infant Jesus of Prague heard addresses from Monsignor Mark Richard Lane, Vicar General of the Diocese; Reverend Joseph Majeski and Reverend Carl De Souca, former pastors; and Father Charles Saglio, current pastor, at its anniversary celebration; and

WHEREAS, the Church of the Infant Jesus of Prague looks forward to continuing to welcome local community members and visitors from around the world; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, That the Church of the Infant Jesus of Prague hereby be commended on the occasion of its 60th anniversary; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the House of Delegates prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to the Church of the Infant Jesus of Prague as an expression of the House of Delegates' congratulations and admiration for the church's commitment to serving its members and the community.