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**STATE OF RHODE ISLAND**

**IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY**

**JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2010**

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**H O U S E   R E S O L U T I O N**

**CONGRATULATING REVEREND JAMES V. FARLEY ON THE OCCASION OF THE 45TH  
ANNIVERSARY OF HIS ORDINATION**

Introduced By: Representatives Kennedy, and Carnevale

Date Introduced: June 01, 2010

Referred To: House read and passed

1           WHEREAS, The son of James and Veronica (McManus) Farley and the brother of  
2   Maureen Farley, James V. Farley was born on November 8, 1939 and baptized into the Roman  
3   Catholic faith on November 17, 1939. James received his early education at St. Anthony's School  
4   in Providence and graduated high school from LaSalle Academy. He attended Our Lady of  
5   Providence Seminary in Warwick and St. Bernard's Seminary in Rochester, NY; and

6           WHEREAS, On June 5<sup>th</sup> of 1965, James V. Farley was ordained into the priesthood by  
7   the Most Reverend Bishop Russell J. McVinney, D.D., and the next forty-five years have led him  
8   on a wondrous and fulfilling spiritual journey; and

9           WHEREAS, Following his ordination, Reverend Farley began his service to God as an  
10   Assistant Pastor of St. Thomas More Church in Narragansett. The subsequent years saw Father  
11   Farley gain knowledge and experience through a myriad of parish positions, including being  
12   named Assistant Pastor of the Cathedral of Saints Peter & Paul in Providence in 1965, St. Jude's  
13   Church in Lincoln in 1966, St. Paul's Church in Cranston in 1969, Blessed Sacrament Church in  
14   Providence in 1971, St. Brenden's Church in Riverside in 1976, and then as Pastor of Holy Cross  
15   Church in Providence in 1986; and

16           WHEREAS, in 1996, Father James Farley was named Pastor of Our Lady of Victory  
17   Church in Ashaway and St. Vincent de Paul Church in Bradford, where he has served as the  
18   shepherd of the flock of parishioners who worship and celebrate the word of the Lord with their  
19   beloved pastor. Father Farley has become a popular priest with the people and this often results in

1 standing room only attendance at the masses in which he exalts the gospel and the body and  
2 blood of Jesus Christ; and

3 WHEREAS, Throughout the course of his service to God, the Church, and the people of  
4 Rhode Island, Father Jim has accepted and embraced the changes in his life through his surety in  
5 the knowledge that the Lord was always with him. He has carried out the requirements and  
6 responsibilities of this title with supreme faith, absolute love, and compelling wisdom, including  
7 serving as Chaplain at Rhode Island Hospital, Roger Williams Medical Center, the Knights of  
8 Columbus, and the East Providence Fire Department; and

9 WHEREAS, Father Farley has spent most of his life in devout service to God. Through  
10 that unification of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, he has served and blessed the faithful,  
11 enriched the spiritual lives of many Rhode Islanders, and earned our total respect and admiration  
12 for his achievements, now, therefore be it

13 RESOLVED, That this House of Representatives of the State of Rhode Island and  
14 Providence Plantations is hereby pleased to honor and congratulate Reverend James V. Farley on  
15 the joyous and momentous occasion of the 45<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of his Ordination. May he have good  
16 health and many more years of benevolent service to the Catholic faithful; and be it further

17 RESOLVED, That the Secretary of State be and he hereby is authorized and directed to  
18 transmit a duly certified copy of this resolution to Reverend James V. Farley.

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