

## As Adopted by the Senate

**136th General Assembly  
Regular Session  
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**S. R. No. 167**

**Senator Cutrona**

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### **A RESOLUTION**

Honoring St. Mary's Byzantine Catholic Church on its  
Quasquicentennial.

WHEREAS, The members of the Senate of the 136th General Assembly  
of Ohio are pleased to pay tribute to St. Mary's Byzantine Catholic  
Church on the auspicious occasion of its One Hundred Twenty-fifth  
Anniversary; and

WHEREAS, Recognition of this significant milestone is a fitting  
tribute to St. Mary's Byzantine Catholic Church, for over the past one  
hundred twenty-five years, it has attained a praiseworthy record of  
service. The achievements of this fine house of worship are a  
justifiable source of pride and an excellent reflection not only on  
the church itself but also on its devoted pastor, the Reverend John  
Welch, on its members, and on the Greater Youngstown community; and

WHEREAS, The first and mother church for all other Byzantine  
Catholic churches in Mahoning, Trumbull, Columbiana, and Mercer  
counties, St. Mary's Byzantine Catholic Church has enhanced the  
quality of life in the area since its inception, and its generous  
contributions have earned it the gratitude and respect of the many  
citizens it has so capably served. We are certain that in the years to  
come, the church will maintain the tradition of spiritual  
enlightenment that has long been its hallmark; and

WHEREAS, The members of the St. Mary's Byzantine Catholic Church  
have long been actively involved in, and concerned about, the events  
in their community, and this celebration offers them a unique  
opportunity to share their memories and to reflect on the benefits of  
life in their close-knit community. The congregation can, indeed, be  
proud of their church, for they have built on the best traditions of  
the past to ensure a peaceful and robust future; therefore be it

RESOLVED, That we, the members of the Senate of the 136th General 27  
Assembly of Ohio, in adopting this Resolution, we commend St. Mary's 28  
Byzantine Catholic Church on its One Hundred Twenty-fifth Anniversary 29  
and extend best wishes for continued growth and prosperity; and be it 30  
further 31

RESOLVED, That the Clerk of the Senate transmit a duly 32  
authenticated copy of this Resolution to St. Mary's Byzantine Catholic 33  
Church. 34