Senate Resolution No. 1784

BY: Senator MYRIE

CONGRATULATING St. John's Episcopal Church upon the occasion of celebrating its 200th Anniversary

WHEREAS, Religious institutions, and the many spiritual, social, and educational benefits they confer, play a vital role in the development of the moral fabric of a responsible citizenry; and

WHEREAS, It is the tradition of this State and this Nation to pay tribute to those institutions and individuals who have contributed to the ethical and spiritual values of their communities; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to congratulate St. John's Episcopal Church of Brooklyn, New York upon the occasion of celebrating its 200th Anniversary, to be celebrated on Sunday, May 17, 2026; and

WHEREAS, Founded in 1826 as the first integrated Episcopal parish in Brooklyn, St. John's has long stood as a beacon of inclusion and faith in the borough; and

WHEREAS, Moving to the Park Slope neighborhood of Brookyln in 1869, St. John's Episcopal Church has been hosting services in the same building for over 150 years; and

WHEREAS, St. John's Episcopal Church proudly maintains a strong Caribbean legacy, with many first-generation Caribbean immigrants among its parishioners; today, the church is a thriving, multigenerational congregation representing diverse races, cultures, and sexual orientations; and

WHEREAS, Today, St. John's Episcopal Church stands on the threshold of tomorrow, prepared to meet the challenges of the coming decades, while retaining that spiritual resolve which has so characterized its glorious past; and

WHEREAS, It is the custom of this Legislative Body to take note of enduring religious institutions and to bring such institutions to the attention of the people of this Empire State; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to congratulate St. John's Episcopal Church upon the occasion of celebrating its 200th Anniversary; and be it further

RESOLVED, That this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to St. John's Episcopal Church of Brooklyn, New York.