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Dear Member of Congress:

May the peace of Christ be with you.

We are still in the early weeks of this Congress, and it is clear that you have much important work ahead of you, including plans to address tremendous matters including government funding, immigration, tax policy, and national security.

On these matters and in all your work this Congress, I implore you to keep forefront in mind the sacredness of human life and the inherent, God-given dignity of every person. This principle is the basis for our policy priorities, including the following that I urge you to consider:

Support and strengthen families, by providing meaningful support for pregnant mothers, parents, and their children, so every family has the support to choose life for their baby; enacting protections for the preborn; enhancing the Child Tax Credit to help families flourish; and allowing parents to choose the best education for their children.

Protect poor and vulnerable people at home and abroad, such as by maintaining safety net programs such as Medicaid and SNAP that provide life-changing and life-saving support for those in need; ensuring that tax reform makes poor families better off, not worse; providing essential assistance to our most vulnerable brothers and sisters struggling in the most dire conditions around the world; and ensuring good environmental stewardship.

Support an immigration system that furthers the common good, with targeted, proportionate, and humane immigration enforcement that safeguards our borders and communities, while providing legal pathways to immigrants, respect for due process, access to humanitarian protections such as refugee resettlement, compassion to people on the move, and accommodations for family unity.

Defend religious liberty by protecting faith communities around the world from discrimination and respecting the religious nature of faith-providers' charitable and social service work.



The decisions you make in your important work on behalf of our nation will have a lasting impact on the well-being and common good of many people, and I hope you will keep the above policy priorities in mind. The U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishop is eager to support you in your work, and will continue to engage on these and other matters touching on sacredness of life and the dignity of every human person.

Thank you for taking our perspective into consideration. Please be assured of my prayers for you.

Sincerely yours,

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