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Most Reverend Dennis M. Schnurr
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Dear Archbishop Schnurr:

In accordance with our recent audit of the Archdiocese of Cincinnati, the following topics are being brought to your attention. These topics do not affect your compliance with the *Charter for the Protection of Children and Young People*; they are simply suggestions for your consideration.

Article 2:

Topic: The Archdiocese's Decree on Child Protection specifies the duties of Review Board members. During our discussions with Review Board members, it was noted that some members were not clear on all details included in the Decree, such as, term length or renewal process.

Suggestion: We suggest the Archdiocese consider reviewing the section of the Decree pertaining to the Review Board with the members at a future Review Board meeting.

Article 12:

Topic: Article 12 states "diocese/eparchies are to maintain 'safe environment' programs which the diocesan bishop deems to be in accord with Catholic moral principles." The Archdiocese recently mandated that the Circle of Grace curriculum be adopted for use in all catholic schools. In addition, some parishes with religious education programs continue to rely on public schools for safe environment training. Neither of these programs have been promulgated by Archbishop.

Suggestion: We suggest that Archbishop issue a promulgation letter to formally approve the safe environment curriculums for both adults and children to clearly indicate which programs are in accord with Catholic moral principles.

By signing below, you attest that you have read and received our suggestions for the July 1, 2020 through June 30, 2023 *Charter* audit process.

+ Dennis M. Schnurr

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