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Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ,

In the Gospels, Jesus teaches us to be a living expression of God's kindness, showing the light of God's goodness and mercy to all of our brothers and sisters, but especially to the poor, the vulnerable, and those facing challenging circumstances. Each year on Mother's Day, Catholic Charities invites us to be a living expression of God's goodness through our gift to the Catholic Charities Mother's Day Collection. With our support, Catholic Charities carries out the important work of the Church to help the poor and vulnerable in the Archdiocese of Chicago.

People often come to Catholic Charities at the most difficult times of their lives—hungry, afraid, hurting, alone, homeless, helpless, hopeless. Catholic Charities cares for people at these desperate times, helping them rebuild their lives and restoring hope for the future.

Catholic Charities provides a broad range of services to people of all ages and at every stage of life, regardless of religion or background. Whether it's helping young mothers with pregnancy and parenting services; offering educational and support programs for at-risk children and teens; counseling those facing addiction, mental illness or grief; delivering emergency assistance to families coping with homelessness and hunger; or providing affordable housing and a variety of in-home services for seniors, Catholic Charities brings Christ's love and mercy to the people and the places that need it most.

We each have an important role to play in the Church's sacred mission to care for those in need. Please accept my sincere gratitude for your past support of the Catholic Charities Mother's Day Collection, and please consider being as generous as you can again this year. Contributions can be made during the second collection on Mother's Day, anytime at www.catholiccharities.net/donate, or mail your gift to Catholic Charities, 721 N. LaSalle Street, Chicago, IL 60654. May God bless you and those you love this Mother's Day and always. With every good wish, I remain

Sincerely yours in Christ,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Blaise Cardinal Cupic".

Archbishop of Chicago