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Dear Monsignor Benz,

Greetings in the Lord!

This letter is in response to your request that the Diocese of Baton Rouge endorse Cross Catholic Outreach as discussed in our April 4 meeting. Please accept my apologies for the late response.

As mentioned to you, I did include this request on our Presbyteral Council agenda. The membership voted to endorse this important work of helping the poor. It will be up to each pastor to take advantage of this ministry. It is my understanding that no collection is taken up on site, only a donation envelope is distributed. If this has changed, please let me know.

May your ministry benefit not only the poor but also the priests of our diocese.

Sincerely yours in Christ our Hope,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Michael G. Duca".

+ Michael G. Duca  
Bishop of Baton Rouge

c: Very Rev. Thomas C. Ranzino, V.G.  
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