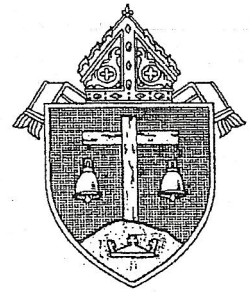


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**LETTER OF PERMISSION
AND TESTIMONIAL OF SUITABILITY FOR MINISTRY**



Most Reverend Richard J. Garcia
Bishop of Monterey
PO Box 2048
Monterey, CA 93942

Dear Bishop Garcia:

I am writing to certify the suitability of _____ who is a _____ in good standing in this (arch/diocese/religious institute), who is requesting to serve at _____ to fulfill the pastoral ministry of _____. He/she has my permission to serve in the Diocese of Monterey from _____ to _____.

TESTIMONIAL of SUITABILITY FOR MINISTRY

I have carefully reviewed our personnel records and have consulted with persons who served with him/her and assure you that _____ is a person of good moral character and reputation and is qualified to serve in an effective and suitable manner in your Diocese. In addition, to the best of my knowledge, I assure you that nothing in his/her background would limit or disqualify him/her from assignment or cause serious scandal. [This would include but not be limited to such improper behaviors as: untreated problems with substance abuse, violations of celibacy, sexual impropriety, physical abuse, child abuse and/or financial impropriety.]

STATEMENT OF SUPPORT

Based on my experience of _____'s ministry, I endorse and support the content of his/her mission and message, which I believe is consistent with the theological, social and moral teachings of the Church. I hereby grant him/her permission to minister in your Diocese under your authorization.

A curriculum vitae including name, date and place of birth, place and date of profession of vows/ordination, seminary/formation and previous assignments is enclosed.

Minister's Date of Birth: _____

Minister's Date of Ordination or Profession: _____

Printed Name of Religious Superior

Date

Signature