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Dear Father Pavone,

On behalf of Human Life Alliance's volunteers, staff and board of directors, I congratulate you on 25 years in the priesthood and 20 years of service as National Director of Priests for Life!

When I think of all the support we've received from you personally and the critical assistance of the Priests for Life team, I can only repeat what we've said in the past. "Because of your leadership, there is no more generous pro-life organization in the country and we're blessed to partner with you."

Whether sharing your knowledge by authoring a series for our newsletter or providing the expertise of your staff and associates in support of our educational efforts, we remain grateful for your dedication to the defense of life.

My favorite "Father Frank story" comes from a night you offered to spend time with university students here in the Twin Cities area. What young person could resist "Pizza with Pavone"? Your bold proclamation of pro-life truths and gentle interaction with protesters disagreeing with your presentation won many hearts for life that night. We were all grateful to have you with us.

Responding to the Gospel call is at the heart of our shared ministries. By speaking the truth to a culture lost in darkness and despair we join together to share a message of life and hope. Together we present a heart changing, life saving message in a world which needs to embrace this important truth. This truth breaks the hardness surrounding many young people's hearts and allows the Author of Life access to their eternal souls. This is how your ministry offers hope and healing which leads to everlasting life.

We hope to continue this service in cooperation with you Father Frank.

Congratulations on your years of service. We pray God will grant you many more and the ability to see the fulfillment of your mission to establish respect for all human life.

Gratefully,

Bev Aplikowski

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