

## CARDINAL'S RESIDENCE

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June 24, 1996

The Reverend Richard E. McQuade 19 Buttonwood Lane Post Office Box 191 Scituate, Massachusetts 02055

Dear Father McQuade:

I was sorry to learn of the situation concerning you which has recently come to the attention of the Office of the Delegate of the Archbishop. In light of this situation and in line with the conversation you have had with Reverend Brian M. Flatley, the Delegate of the Archbishop, I am ending your assignment to the Emergency Response Group and placing you temporarily on an Administrative Leave effective today, June 24, 1996.

During this period you are free to celebrate Mass privately in your own residence. Otherwise, I ask that you refrain from all pastoral activity and public ministry until there has been a resolution of your situation. During this period your regular monthly remuneration will be provided through the Clergy Benefit Trust of the Archdiocese.

I realize that this is a difficult time for you, Richard. Thank you for your spirit of cooperation. If I can be of help to you in any way, please contact me.

Please send written notification to Most Reverend William Murphy, Moderator of the Curia, and Reverend James J. McCarthy, Clergy Personnel Director, indicating that you have received this communication.

With warm personal regards, and asking God to bless you, I am

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Archbishop of Boston

Copy: Reverend Brian M. Flatley