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To: Council of Catholic Superintendents
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Government Program Coordinators
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Public Policy Committee

From: George V. Corwell, Ed.D
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Date: May 13, 2020

Re: Enclosed Action Alert

The enclosed Action Alert is being directed to the Congressional Delegation of New Jersey regarding the fourth phase of the economic stimulus relief.

The immediate threat to our schools springs from the loss of income to our families because many of them will not be able to afford to pay tuition, and our parishes will be hampered in offering subsidies to schools because of the loss of collection of revenue. We are asking Congress to pass measures that would either provide direct support, or some sort of tax relief, to our families.

Please send this Alert out on our Parent Network as widely as possible.

Thank you for your continued support.

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ACTION ALERT

ISSUE: Congress is now working on a fourth phase of economic stimulus relief. Our goal is to obtain assistance to our families in this upcoming package.

OUR

POSITION: Because nonpublic schools represent over 10% of the students in the nation's schools, we are asking for consideration for assistance to nonpublic school families in the following way:

- Using 10% of the amount available to public schools be directed toward direct aid to our families, using means-tested scholarships.
- Establishing an emergency student microgrant, or education-directed stimulus check.
- Providing a percentage of K-12 education tuition and expenses to be used as a tax credit or tax deduction as a contribution to a nonprofit. Because of the 2019 extension of the tax deadline, this would serve as an immediate savings to our families.
- Providing a dollar for dollar tax credit to scholarship-granting organizations using the model of Education Freedom Scholarships.
- Allowing expansion of current 529 Savings Plans for K-12 education expenses beyond school tuition, which would include, as an allowable expense for home education expenses, particularly necessary during the time in which school has been suspended or cancelled.

ACTION: Contact by telephone or email Senators Menendez and Booker as well as your own member of the House of Representatives. Make sure to state the value of nonpublic schools in general, and Catholic schools in particular, and emphasize your own sacrifices in paying both public school taxes and nonpublic school tuition. Feel free to add the contributions of nonpublic schools in your area in order to serve the educational needs of New Jersey's children.

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