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TO: Cardinal Bernardin
FROM: Rev. Patrick O'Malley
DATE: Jan. 7, 1992
RE: Rev. Norbert Maday -- possible letter

Dear Norb,

Pat O'Malley has informed me of your conversations about the [REDACTED]. I want to once again reassure you that I am requesting that you take this [REDACTED] as a help for you and for ourselves.

An allegation of child molestation was made against you. Who made the call is a point we cannot determine. In a sense, it is anonymous. But, in the present climate, for your protection and for the Archdiocese's protection, I submitted the situation to the Commission I had appointed. They recommended that you [REDACTED].

At my house on the day we talked, you shared with me your fear and your own misgivings about what might have occurred in the past. I understand, Norb, and I want you to know that, in no way, will the test or whatever the [REDACTED] discloses be held "against" you. That's not the way I operate. If one of my priests needs help, I will do all I can to make sure he gets that help. You have served the Archdiocese well over the years. I want to see that service continue and even deepen. You have always been a generous priest.

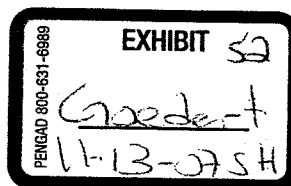
We are thinking of your future, Norb, and of your physical and emotional well-being. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] I assure you I will have the same regard for you after the [REDACTED] as I will have after your physical exams. I want to see you whole and well.

Please believe me when I offer you this word of encouragement. Let's work together and the loving grace of God will be even more a part of our lives. I will be praying for you as you move through this important phase of your life. If you want to talk to me, don't hesitate to call.

Traternally yours in X
Sincerely yours,

Cardinal Bernardin



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