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† Cardinal Law, Archbishop of Boston, having carefully considered the letter of resignation of Reverend Dennis A. Keefe, a priest of the Archdiocese of Boston, from priestly ministry, and reviewing the consultation of representatives of the Archdiocese of Boston who have unsuccessfully attempted on numerous occasions to communicate with Reverend Dennis A. Keefe, on my behalf, regarding a serious allegation reported to the Archdiocese concerning Reverend Dennis A. Keefe. Having failed to personally respond to the Archdiocese request for professional evaluations, by providing ample opportunity for Reverend Dennis A. Keefe to offer testimony on his behalf regarding such matters, which he did not avail himself of, I hereby decree that Reverend Dennis A. Keefe is impeded from the exercise of Orders (Canon 1044.2.1). I further decree that the priestly faculties of Reverend Dennis A. Keefe, including the faculty to preach, the faculty to hear confessions and the faculty to officiate at marriages, are withdrawn as of June 28, 1999. I further decree that Reverend Dennis A. Keefe may only celebrate Mass using the "Order of Mass Without A Congregation" as found in the Sacramentary.

Given at the Cardinal's Residence, Brighton, Massachusetts this 25th day of June, 1999.

Archbishop of Boston

Chancellor

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