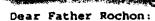




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August 11, 1997

Reverend Robert A. Rochon Certification Commission Chair National Association of Catholic Chaplains



I acknowledge your letter of July 18, 1997, in which you request my endorsement of Reverend Edward Avery for certification by the National Association of Catholic Chaplains.

Father Edward Avery is a priest in good standing in the Archdiocese of Philadelphia and has my approval for priestly service as a chaplain. He has been assigned as Chaplain at Nazareth Hospital in Philadelphia, where he has given exemplary service these past four years.

May the Lord bless your work on behalf of the pastoral care of the sick and fill you with every good gift.

With prayerful best wishes, I remain

Archbishop of Philadelphia

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