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His Holiness, Pope John Paul II
The Vatican
Vatican City, Italy

Dear Holy Father,

You are the Pastor of hundreds of millions of Christians as Head of the Roman Catholic Church, and as such you have many more responsibilities than even Presidents, Kings and Statesmen. I believe however, that among those whom you have trusted to help you, there is a person who will read this and the enclosed letters over carefully, and will help and guide me through this terrible problem. You are my "court of last resort" as I have tried for more than a year to bring my problem before the local Parish Council, the office of Bishop Straling of the Diocese of San Bernardino, and the Archdiocese of Los Angeles.

So I turn to you for help in solving this. If I cannot obtain help through the church, then I must go through the local courts. This would result in scandal and embarrassment for Father Brennan, and many others, including myself. This I wish to avoid and so I am trying every other road along the way. I hope that as manifold as your responsibilities are, I will hear your words of wisdom and guidance in this matter. Most respectfully and prayerfully, I remain One of Your Flock.

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