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Mr. Keon,

As chair of the Education Commission of the Assembly of Catholic Bishops of Ontario, I am pleased to acknowledge the work that the EOCCC has accomplished in moving forward the Ministry of Education's "Character Development Initiative." This present resource continues a tradition of excellence as the EOCCC seeks to develop material that incorporates the Catholic perspective across the curriculum. By focusing the "Character Development Initiative" on the acquisition of the theological and cardinal virtues, this resource builds on and enriches the moral teaching of the Church. I pray God's blessing upon all those involved in this project and hope that this resource will indeed help our students grow in a Spirit-filled life in which the Gospel truly shines forth.

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