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Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Greetings in the Lord!

I am writing to express my support for the Ignatian Discernment Institute, a Catholic ministry founded and run by the Oblates of the Virgin Mary and located in the Archdiocese of Denver. Since its founding in 2025, the Institute has already begun to work in our parishes and apostolates through teaching and preaching retreats based in the Rules and spirituality of St. Ignatius.

The stated Mission of the Institute is to equip people of all vocations to live the spiritual life with hope, joy, and fruitfulness through St. Ignatius of Loyola's teaching on discernment. I support the Ignatian Discernment Institute in their work to build up the people of God through education in vital tools to remain connected to God amidst the discouragement and anxiety of our contemporary world. Through the wisdom of Ignatius and the pastoral method developed by Fr. Timothy Gallagher, OMV, we help souls recognize the interior movements of their hearts and respond with peace and confidence in God.

I am grateful for the Ignatian Discernment Institute's commitment to spiritual formation and evangelization. I commend their work to your consideration and prayers. May the Lord continue to bless and strengthen our efforts in his Kingdom and provide abundant fruitfulness.

In Christ,

+ James R. Golka

Most Reverend James R. Golka
Archbishop of Denver