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Dear Members of the Board of Trustees of Jesuit High School:

I wish you Christ's peace during this Easter season.

I want to share an update regarding the residence for the Sacramento Jesuit Community. After careful discernment, and in close conversation with the community and with school leadership, the province has decided to purchase two residences directly across the street from campus, where the Sacramento Jesuit Community will soon be located. In addition to Jesuits serving at Jesuit High School, the community includes Jesuits serving at Cristo Rey High School and St. Ignatius Loyola Parish and School.

This decision emerges from a thoughtful process in recent months to reimagine Jesuit community life. The current Jesuit community is much smaller than the many years when a dormitory-style, on-campus residence was the optimal model for community life. For some time, the Jesuits have expressed a desire to live within the surrounding neighborhood while remaining closely connected to the school. The opportunity that recently arose to purchase homes directly across from the historic Bell Tower was received with enthusiasm by the community.

We see this transition as an opportunity for a more sustainable and intentional community for our Jesuits while preserving a close, visible and engaged presence at Jesuit High and continued ministry at Cristo Rey and St. Ignatius. In addition, the community's relocation creates new opportunities for both the Jesuit community and the school to respond to present needs and future possibilities, including the school's transition toward a co-divisional model, a mission-driven expansion supported by both the province and the Jesuits in Sacramento.

I am grateful for your leadership, for the warm welcome Jesuit High has always provided to the Jesuits who serve at other apostolates in Sacramento and for the collaborative spirit that has marked these conversations. I also want to thank Fr. Michael Tyrrell, SJ, Superior of the Sacramento Jesuit Community, and all those who have offered their time and counsel during this process.

Jesuit High has long been a place where our mission is lived with depth and generosity, and I am confident this move will serve us all well.

Please know of my prayers for you and everyone at Jesuit High School.

Yours in Christ,

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