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To Whom It May Concern:

You should be aware, by now, a student(s) from your school has plans to attend the National March for Life in Washington, D.C., January 18-23, 2022. Student(s) leave Tuesday evening and return Sunday evening. Due to the time required, student(s) would miss three (3) days of school. I write you this letter to give you more information on its purpose and benefit to your students, and I thank you for the time you take to read it.

While this is a religious pilgrimage, the trip will be packed with educational value. Students will be able to see the richness, depth, and history associated with the District of Columbia by visiting various monuments and memorials honoring our Nation's past presidents and fallen heroes. Students will walk through Arlington National Cemetery, tour the U.S. Capitol and many of the Smithsonian Institute museums. They will also meet with the Oklahoma delegation of Congressmen and Senators. And finally, students will have the opportunity to engage in public, civil discourse at our Nation's Capital for a cause they believe in. For many of the students, this is a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity they may not be able to repeat.

Student(s) already understand this trip requires serious commitments to their education. Any student that attends is to inform all his or her teachers, guidance counselors, and principal. They are also expected to have homework completed ahead of time and arrange for any missed tests ahead of time.

I hope you will consider excusing the absences of the student(s) due to the 2022 National March for Life. Though they may not be at school, it will certainly be an educational experience for them.

Again, thank you very much for your support in this endeavor. Please do not hesitate to call 918/307-4939 or email <u>sarah.jameson@dioceseoftulsa.org</u> if I can be of further assistance to you in these regards.

God Bless!

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