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His All-Holiness Bartholomew I  
Archbishop and Ecumenical Patriarch  
Ecumenical Patriarchate  
Phanar (Fener), 34083  
Istanbul, Turkey

Your All-Holiness,

We thank Your All-Holiness for Your loving kindness and recent Apostolic Blessing upon Ourselves, Our clergy and laity of the United Synod of the former Exarchate of the Greek Orthodox Patriarchate of Alexandria in America, the UAOC and His Beatitude +MICHAEL with the American Orthodox Church, in union with the Ecumenical Throne.

Our jurisdiction, established by His Beatitude JOSYF Cardinal Slipyj and upon the passing of Archbishop Metropolitan +Amvrosij of Thrice Blessed Memories, We, along with His Eminence Metropolitan Archbishop +MICHAEL, thank You for Your continued blessing of our ministry here in the American diaspora.

Being in the Apostolic Succession from St. Peter, St. Paul, St. Andrew, St. Mark, St. James, first bishop of Jerusalem, His Beatitude +AMVROSIIJ, Metropolitan and Archbishop, is succeeded by the most unworthy Primate, Ourselves, Chorbishop +MICHAEL Wiest, per the request of His Beatitude Metropolitan Archbishop +AMVROSIIJ and accepted by Our Holy Synod. Please let Us know if we can be of service to You or Your ministry here in the United States.

Kissing Your Blessing Hand,  
and under Your Spiritual Protection,  
We remain,

Your loyal son,

His Beatitude, +MICHAEL Wiest  
Primate and Metropolitan Archbishop Titular UAOC Patriarch of Kiev-Lviv

CC: Archbishop Metropolitan +MICHAEL Kirkland  
Chorbishop +JOEL Cycenas  
Chorbishop +ANTHONY Leonardo