TESTIMONIAL TO THE DIOCESE OF PITTSBURGH of Suitability for Ministry

Most Reverend David A. Zubik Bishop of Pittsburgh 111 Boulevard of the Allies Pittsburgh, PA 15222

Dear Bishop Zubik:

Deacon ________ seeks to take up residence, be given faculties and/or exercise priestly ministry in the Diocese of Pittsburgh. I have carefully reviewed our personnel files and all other records that we maintain, and I have consulted with those who served with him in the works he has been assigned under our authority. Based on these inquiries, and on my own personal knowledge, I am able to make each of those statements listed below which I have checked off and initialed:

(X)	(initials)	
		He is a cleric in good standing and continues to enjoy the faculties in
		(DIOCESE)
		He has never been suspended or otherwise canonically disciplined, a warning notwithstanding, nor have any criminal charges ever been brought against him nor does he have any criminal record.
		No accusations of misconduct have ever been made against him, nor has he ever been involved in any incident, to my knowledge, which has led to potential or public scandal.
		To the best of my knowledge, he has never engaged in sexual behavior inconsistent with the diaconate, nor has he ever acted in an inappropriate manner with minors.
		To the best of my knowledge, he has never suffered from alcoholism or other forms of substance abuse.
		He has no mental, moral, emotional, or physical condition that might adversely affect his performance as a deacon.

Based on my inquiries and on my personal knowledge, Deacon _______ is a man of good moral character and reputation and is fully qualified to serve as a deacon in an effective and suitable manner if he should be given faculties in the Diocese of Pittsburgh.

(SEAL)

SIGNAT URE

TITLE