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Your Excellency,

This letter is regarding Fr. Fred Bailey of Corpus Christi Parish, Aliso Viejo, CA.

I am a member of the laity in the Diocese of Orange and am requesting that Fr. Fred Bailey be removed from his position as pastor and removed from the active priesthood. He is a danger to the souls of the people in his parish and in this diocese.

I ask for his removal based on the following Canon Laws, particularly Canon 1741 section 1.

Canon 1740: When the ministry of any parish priest has for some reason become harmful or at least ineffective, even though this occurs without any serious fault on his part, he can be removed from the parish by the diocesan bishop.

Canon 1741: The reasons for which a parish priest can lawfully be removed from his parish are principally

1. A manner of acting which causes grave harm or disturbance to ecclesiastical communion.

2. Ineptitude or permanent illness of mind or body, which makes the parish priest unequal to the task of fulfilling his duties satisfactorily.

3. The loss of the parish priest's good name among upright and serious-minded parishioners, or aversion to him, when it can be foreseen that these factors will not quickly come to an end.

4. Grave neglect or violation of parochial duties, which persist after warning.

5. Bad administration of temporal goods with grave harm to the Church, when no other remedy can be found to eliminate this harm.

Thank you for your attention to this very serious matter.

Respectfully,

(name and address) _____

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