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Most Reverend Richard F. Stika  
Bishop of Knoxville  
805 S. Northshore Drive  
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Dear Bishop Stika:

Based on the results of our recently performed on-site audit of the Diocese of Knoxville, the Diocese has been found compliant with all audited Articles within the *Charter for the Protection of Children and Young People* for the audit period of July 1, 2019 through June 30, 2022.

The conclusions reached as to the compliance of your Diocese are based upon inquiry, observation and the review of specifically requested documentation furnished to StoneBridge Business Partners during the course of this audit.

Thank you for your cooperation during this process.

Sincerely,

*StoneBridge Business Partners*

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Rochester, New York

cc: Secretariat of Child and Youth Protection  
Fr. Doug Ownes, Safe Environment Coordinator, Diocese of Knoxville  
Deacon Sean Smith, Chancellor, Diocese of Knoxville