THE DIOCESE OF KALAMAZOO

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Pastor's Feedback on Inquiry Applicant to the Permanent Diaconate Formation Program

I am completing the Inquiry Application for the Permanent Diaconate Formation Program. To be considered, I need a recommendation from my pastor. Please complete this recommendation form and return it directly to the Office of the Diaconate as soon as possible. Thank you.

Applicant's Full Name:
Pastor's Name:
Parish:
Please answer these questions as honestly, candidly, and promptly as you are able. If you prefer a fillable form, visit www.diokzoo.org/deaconformation to download and submit electronically.
How long have you known the applicant?
How well do you know the applicant? In what ways has the applicant has been involved in your parish?
What are his strengths and special gifts?
Are there weaknesses which you are aware of? If yes, please list and briefly explain.

Do you believe that he is a man of high ethical and moral standards? Briefly explain.		
Do you believe he has intellectual, spiritual, and leadership abilities that fit well with diaconal ministry? Briefly explain.		
If married, is the applicant in a stable, loving, and positive relationship with his spouse and family?		
Are there any issues you are aware of that would raise reservations or serious concerns? If yes, please list and briefly explain.		
Which of the following describes your recommendation for this applicant for diaconal formation:		
□ highly recommend □ recommend □ reco	ommend with reservations \Box do not recommend	
If you selected "recommend with reservations" or "do not recommend" briefly explain:		
If he is accepted into formation for the permanent diaconate, are you willing to accompany him and meet with him regularly? ☐ yes ☐ no		
Are there additional comments you would like to share?	Please return this completed form to:	
	Office of the Diaconate	
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