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Dear Students, Families, Faculty, Staff, and School Leaders,

As we stand on the threshold of a new academic year, I am filled with hope and gratitude for the many blessings present in our Archdiocese. Each year brings fresh opportunities to grow in faith, work together, and share Christ's love—both within our school communities and beyond.

This year, I invite you to join me in renewing our dedication to the *Missionary Childhood Association*, a vital ministry of the Pontifical Mission Societies. Through the MCA, we are given the privilege to reach out to children in need across the world, offering not only material support but also the light and joy of the Gospel.

Your participation in the MCA's mission empowers our students to embody the spirit of "*Children helping Children*." By supporting the association's projects and initiatives, we foster in our young people a deeper sense of compassion, service, and global awareness—values at the heart of our Catholic identity. Every prayer, every small sacrifice, and every act of generosity contributes to building a world where all children can experience the hope and dignity they deserve.

As the school year unfolds, I encourage every classroom, family, and member of our community to actively support the *Missionary Childhood Association*. Whether through prayer, educational activities, or fundraising efforts, your involvement will have a lasting impact—here at home and in the lives of children far away.

Together, let us answer Christ's call to be his hands and heart in the world. May our shared commitment to the MCA inspire us to live the Gospel with joy, and may we always be mindful of the needs of our brothers and sisters around the globe.

May Jesus, through the intercession of Mary, grant you peace and joy,

+ José H. Gomez

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