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Dear Ann:

I write on behalf of my brother bishops and staff to offer our deepest condolences at the loss of your dear husband, Joseph. As a married couple, your great witness to life was only outdone by your generous witness to love, marriage and family life. Thank you for your relentless teamwork in building a Culture of Life, and for the many hardships that you overcame together.

Joe Scheidler, will always be remembered as a faithful Catholic and an inspirational, pro-life leader who leveraged every opportunity to raise awareness to the great tragedy of abortion. He was a relentless and prophetic voice who inspired generations to follow his example of creativity and determination to right a grave evil. Yet, Joe was also a leader with a compassionate heart. Through the work of the Pro-Life Action League, Joe encouraged many in the abortion industry to join the side of life and walk away from the culture of death.

Today, countless children, mothers and fathers, and even former abortion providers have been rescued through the efforts of Joe. His legacy and his influence will continue to be felt for many years to come.

Please be assured of our continued prayers and our profound gratitude.

Sincerely yours in Jesus, the Lord of Life,

Most Reverend Joseph F. Naumann
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