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IN THE NAME OF GOD, AMEN

The ministry of Catholic schools in the Diocese of Spokane has evolved over the course of many years. Formerly, communities of women religious provided administration and instruction in schools that were strictly parochial. Now, our schools are staffed by lay women and men. In certain instances, parishes have collaborated to form interparochial schools. Just as laity have assumed roles in administration and instruction, it is also fitting that they share in the governance of our schools in cooperation with their pastors and hierarchical authority. It is, furthermore, essential for the roles and rules of governance to be defined civilly and canonically. To that end, I issue the following decree:


Cataldo School, an interparochial school sponsored by the parishes of St. Augustine and Sacred Heart and Our Lady of Lourdes Cathedral in the city of Spokane, is recognized as a Catholic school, in accord with canon 803 §1. Thus, it will be known as Cataldo Catholic School and may licitly bear that designation in accord with canon 803 §3.

Cataldo Catholic School is hereby constituted a public juridic person in accord with canons 114 and 116 §2. Thus, as a juridic person in its own right, Cataldo Catholic School has a canonical identity distinct from its sponsoring parishes.

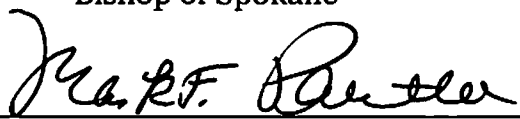
For the sake of prudent administration, the School will seek civil incorporation as a nonprofit corporation of the State of Washington. The statutes of the juridic person, Cataldo Catholic School, are the same as the Articles of Incorporation and Bylaws that are proposed for Cataldo Catholic School, a Washington nonprofit corporation. These statutes are hereby approved in accord with canon 117. It is the right of the Catholic Bishop of Spokane to approve amendment of the Articles of Incorporation and Bylaws.

A copy of this decree is to be appended to the Articles of Incorporation and Bylaws.

Issued this 7th day of October, 2010



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Rev. Mark Pautler, Chancellor