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Ms. Sarah Smith
USA Director for Universal Chastity Education
Sent via email to: uce.sarahsmith@gmail.com

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Dear Ms. Smith,

I was pleased to receive your email on September 12, 2017 asking for my endorsement of the work of your organization, Universal Chastity Education (UCE). Although I had not previously heard of UCE, I learned that it has been engaged in the life-changing work of promoting chastity before and after marriage in both Africa and the United States since 2003.

After reviewing the mission, methods and achievements of UCE, I am happy to join Bishops Sheridan and Berg in giving my endorsement for your ministry. In particular, I am heartened to hear that your vision is "to empower a growing number of people to be free from the slavery to passions, STD's and painful memories by building and expanding sustainable networks of education." The emotional, psychical and spiritual wreckage caused today by the spread of a false understanding of freedom – particularly in the realm of sexuality – is immense, and UCE's work helps to save people from this tragedy.

May God bless you in your ministry and help you to spread the truth about the God-given dignity of every person and the gift of sexuality.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Most Reverend Samuel J. Aquila, S.T.L.
Archbishop of Denver