



## Archdiocese of Galveston-Houston

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Dear Mr. Rabie,

As you convene for the 18<sup>th</sup> International Conference & Awards Banquet of the Holy Land Ecumenical Christian Foundation this October in Washington, D.C., I would like to express my profound gratitude for the amazing work that is being accomplished through your agency, as well as to all those who support the work of the Holy Land Ecumenical Christian Foundation.

The voice of tyranny bellows, still, threatening the peace and concord of many. But as Pope Francis reminded people of goodwill everywhere, we must stand in solidarity for the voiceless if we are to heal their wounds and foster peace. "How many are the wounds borne by the flesh of those who have no voice because their cry is muffled and drowned out by the indifference of the rich! During this Jubilee, the Church will be called even more to heal these wounds, to assuage them with the oil of consolation, to bind them with mercy and cure them with solidarity and vigilant care."

May God continue to grant success to your work, as you forge new bonds of solidarity for equality, peace and prosperity for all. With prayerful best wishes in the Lord, I am

Sincerely yours in Christ,

*+ Daniel Cardinal DiNardo*

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