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To the Most Reverend Abbess Eldress AEMILIANE
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Old Rectory, 3525 Edmunds St. NW
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Most Reverend Eldress,

Christ is Risen!

Having already known of the monastic struggles of your Brother- and Sisterhoods in Christ for decades, and knowing of yours in this country, we rejoice to have been informed by our dear brother and concelebrant, the Primate of the OCA, His Beatitude JONAH, Archbishop of Washington, Metropolitan of all America & Canada, that he is comfortable with sending us your Letters of Canonical Release and those of your blessed Community, so as for you to constitute honorable members of our martyric Church, ROCOR, which witnesses to Christ, from now on a fruitful arbor "outside" along with Him Who "suffered outside the wall", Who died, was buried and Resurrected, our Lord Jesus Christ, certainly maintaining your lifelong spiritual reference to your spiritual father and Elder, the Most Reverend Abbot of the Holy Monastery of Petra at Karditsa, Greece, Archimandrite DIONYSIOS and keeping the same name of your Monastery and your Constitution as it stands, under our Omophor.

Wherefore we await you paternally, in the Resurrected Christ

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