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October 9, 2021

Ms. Lisa Roers c/o Most Reverend Donald DeGrood

Dear Ms. Roers.

I have received through Bishop DeGrood your letter dated September 2, 2021, and the four documents that accompanied your letter. Along with select members of my staff, I have examined this material. We have also looked again at your communication with the Archdiocese of Omaha in 2004-05 and have reviewed the conclusions of the extensive investigation that was undertaken then.

Within the past month, I have brought this matter again to our Archdiocesan Review Board for their counsel and advice.

I write now to inform you that our conclusion remains as it has been, that we do not find the allegations that you have made to be credible.

You have raised a concern about the investigation undertaken by the Nebraska Attorney General of the three Catholic dioceses in the state. It is important for you to note that the scope of the Attorney General's investigation and request for documents began with incidents alleged to have occurred January 1, 1978 or later. The Archdiocese of Omaha has cooperated fully in this investigation.

With assurances of my prayers for you, I am

Sincerely yours in Christ

Most Reverend George J. Lucas

Archbishop of Omaha