Dear

I write to express my strong objection with the Executive Order regarding refugee resettlement that:

* halts the whole refugee admissions program for 120 days to determine additional security vetting procedures
* drastically cuts the refugee admissions from 110,000 to 50,000 this fiscal year
* bans Syrian refugees for an undetermined amount of time

As a Catholic, I believe in the human dignity of all human beings, including immigrants and refugees. I strongly support the longstanding, U.S. government leadership on refugee protection that both Republican and Democratic administrations have asserted since the beginning of the current refugee program in 1980. I strongly support a refugee program that is safe for refugees and the communities that welcome them. While urging the government to continue improving the safety and security of the system continuously, I believe that the current program is a safe one.

I urge you to oppose this Executive Order and to urge the President to reevaluate the Executive Order. The proposed changes to the resettlement program are contrary to our country’s values and ideals of freedom, fairness, and compassion.

Sincerely,