



**Sisters of Saint Joseph**  
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**The U.S. Federation of the Sisters of St. Joseph Call on President Trump to  
Stop All Divisive and Polarizing Rhetoric**

Dear Mr. President,

We live in a world increasingly marked by hatred, brutality, and violent conflict. These are times that require exceptional insight and courageous leadership. In the face of these unprecedented challenges, we are outraged and heart-broken when our political leaders stoke the fires of fear that threaten to tear the fabric of our nation apart. We cannot, we will not, let the voices of hatred and fear carry the day.

Mr. President, we beseech you to end all divisive and polarizing rhetoric. We implore you to never use language that disrespects, dehumanizes, or demonizes others. We expect our president — and all who serve this nation as leaders — to be always mindful of the common good and the dignity of each person.

The U.S. Federation of the Sisters of St. Joseph embraces an all-inclusive unity that compels us to serve our “dear neighbors,” without distinction for race, ethnicity, religion, sexual orientation, disability, gender identity, documentation or even political party. We believe that our disagreements and differences have the potential to challenge all of us to abandon easy certainty, seek a fuller truth, and ultimately, offer healing to the world.

We send this letter on behalf of the over 6,000 sisters, associates, agrégées, volunteers and partners in mission who represent the diverse base of the Federation. We promise to never cease raising our voices on behalf of the common good and praying for the healing of this country.

Sincerely,

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