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Dear Jim,

I am writing this letter rather than phoning you because it is so difficult at times to make connections by phone. I call, you're not there; you call back, I'm not there! And so it goes.

I want to set your mind at ease a bit. You undoubtedly know that the Cardinal recently appointed a commission to review all cases of alleged or real child abuse in our archdiocesan records. We presented to the commission every case that has come to our attention in the past thirty years.

One of those cases was the situation in which you were involved in May of 1988. When we presented the facts, the commission agreed with our assessment and our handling of the incident. They also agreed that there was no need for action at this time. As far as they were concerned, the incident is closed.

While it is always painful to bring that incident up again, I felt you might well be worried as to whether it had been considered by the commission.

Not to worry. We can put it away for good now. If you want to pursue this matter any further, don't hesitate to call. But, as I said, I'm now going to place the file on the inactive list.

I hope things are going well with you, Jim, and I hope this Advent season will be a fruitful and expectant one for you and your people.

Fraternally yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Pat".

Rev. Patrick O'Malley
Vicar for Priests

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