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The Most Rev. John Noonan
Bishop, Diocese of Orlando
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Your Excellency,

The shocking act of mass murder that took place in Orlando Sunday morning is a source of deep sadness for all who uphold the inherent value and dignity of every human life.

Please be assured of my prayers, those of your brother bishops as well as all the faithful of our country, for the souls of the deceased, for healing for the wounded, for comfort for the victims' families, for strength for law enforcement and medical staff, and for the resilience of the American people.

We unite ourselves to you and your faithful in supplication to the Blessed Mother, Our Lady of Sorrows, for consolation and hope. May St. James, Son of Zebedee and patron of the Diocese of Orlando, intercede with us that such a crime may never happen again.

Sincerely in the Risen Lord,

(Most Rev.) Douglas Crosby, OMI
Bishop of Hamilton
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