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Humberto Cardinal Medeiros Archbishop of Boston 2101 Commonwealth Avenue Brighton, Massachusetts 02135

Your Eminence,

As a Catholic, a parent and a citizen, I cannot remain silent and tolerate the actions of Father Shanley. The recent article by Father Shanley in the Boston Globe on May 5th on homosexuality and the mocking of fellow Catholics is beyond comprehension.

I have known Father Shanley for years and during the days of his so-called drug rehabilitation, I believe he introduced more kids to a permissive, wrong way of life than a constructive and rehabilitative way. He is now on a new kick. Already he has done a great amount of damage where he has spoken before groups, including college campuses, etc. Few have listened to him but he has been able to grab the headlines at the expense of family life and our Catholic philosophies.

As our leader in the Archdiocese I believe you have communication with Father Shanley. I am writing to you in the hope that you could talk to this man before he introduces young people to a way of life that could be very sad for them.

Sincerely,

Thomas J. Flatley

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