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To: Mr. Balde Guerra, Executive Officer

Re: Permission to use the Open Forum



From: The Edinburg Pro-Life Committee

This committee consist of the three parishes in our community in Edinburg; Sacred Heart, St. Joseph, and Holy Family. The three councils of the Knights of Columbus have united to organize a **"Prayer Rally"** to bring the community together; families, children, adult, church and public leaders to manifest the need to pray for our country to discourage so much violence, crime, and to protest against the law that permits abortion to occur in our country. Repeating the prayer of Billy Graham we pray, " Heavenly Father, we come before you today to ask your forgiveness and to seek your direction and guidance." The "Walk for Life" will commence at a parish and convene at the Courthouse.

### Statement of Need

Every year, more than,1.5 million children are aborted in their mother womb. Over 60 million children have lost their life through abortion since the infamous law of Roe vs. Wade which passed in January 22, 1973. Four thousand pre-born children die every day in the United States, one every 26 seconds. 42 million pre-born babies die world- wide; that's 20 percent of humanity. It was John Paul II who said "A nation that kills it's children is a nation without hope." Hence, united we come to plea for our country to stop the holocaust against pre-born children who have no one to speak on their behalf.

### Action Plan

Therefore, we request **your permission** to use the Courthouse Grounds around the Memorial Wall to convene as a community and pray, sing, and listen to speakers express their prayers and needs to call this country on its knees to repent their ways and implore the "Name of God" and "His Mercy" to call us back home to restore and cherish the Christian values on which this country was founded on.

The prayer service will be Saturday, October 1, 2016 from 9 a.m. to Noon.

For more information you may contact AL Lopez at 956-648-6637.