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ANNOUNCEMENT REGARDING THE ANNUAL CONFERENCE 2020

"May the Lord give all of us the grace of creativity in this moment" (Pope Francis - April 27, 2020)

As the lives of millions of people continue to be affected worldwide and in our local communities due to the COVID-19 pandemic, we join in prayer and hope, trusting in the loving and healing grace of God. In light of these difficult and challenging times, the leadership of the National Catholic Association of Diocesan Directors of Hispanic Ministry (NCADDHM), in consultation with its membership and collaborative partners, has decided to host its annual conference as a virtual gathering to take place during the scheduled September 22-25, 2020 timeframe.

We recognize that this decision to host a virtual gathering will bring its own set of challenges and creative opportunities. Together, these past weeks and months, we have witnessed the resilience and creative generosity of many in our communities. Inspired by this sense of community and standing in solidarity with the people of God, we are confident that this virtual gathering will give us an opportunity to remain connected, network and share best practices that will enable us to better support our ministries during these trying times. We remain grateful for your *Pastoral de Conjunto*.

More information regarding our virtual gathering will be made available in the coming weeks, via our website (<u>http://ncaddhm-usa.org</u>) and social media (Facebook: <u>https://www.facebook.com/NCADDHM</u>)