March 10, 1981

Most Reverend Joseph T. Ryan Military Ordinariate 1011 First Avenue New York, New York 10022

Your Excellency:

· I write to inform you that I am acceding to the request of Reverend Thomas P. Forry, a priest of the Archdiocese of Boston, to serve as a member of the National Guard.

It is my understanding that he is not undertaking active duty and thus his responsibilities to the National Guard will not interfere with the duties of his principal assignment in the Archdiocese of Boston.

With my prayerful best wishes and kind regards, I am

Devotedly yours in Our Lord,

Humberto Cardinal Medeiros, Archbishop of Boston