Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

It is my privilege to endorse a valuable ministry in our community: Young Catholic Professionals (YCP).

By incorporating Church teaching into all of their programs, YCP catechizes and motivates young people to share the Gospel of Christ at home and in the workplace. The group teaches young professionals to perform their daily work for the glory of God and to bring faith with them into all of their pursuits. During its four years in our diocese, YCP has encouraged hundreds of young adults to embrace their Catholic identity.

One young woman has said of YCP:

“At my first YCP event, I was able to socialize with other young adults without fear of judgment, but I could tell that this group was not only about socializing. It was about developing me as a Catholic woman and as a witness to Christ, at work and in all areas of my life.”

A young man has said:

“YCP has given me a community here in Dallas. For the first time in a very long while, I want to talk about my relationship with Christ.”

In Dallas, the ministry has facilitated numerous job leads, helped young people to take a role in our community, and witnessed the meeting of at least fourteen Catholic young adults to their future spouses. After four years, they have built an authentic network for our young people that has reinvigorated our parish communities.

The success of the ministry’s local efforts has gained it national attention. YCP now has operating chapters in Dallas, Fort Worth, and San Antonio, pending chapters in Houston and Denver, and relationships with Catholic professionals across the country.
But the ministry needs your support to continue to thrive. YCP has grown considerably over the past four years, with an average monthly attendance of 200 in Dallas alone. Yet the ministry currently operates with just two staff members!

Please, consider offering your support to these young people. Your endorsement and encouragement can help the YCP staff, volunteers and attendees continue to face the challenge of promoting our Church in a world steeped in discord and confusion.

Saint John Paul II exhorted the American people, “Do not be afraid...to take up the challenge of making Christ known in the modern metropolis.” Please, make Him known by speaking of YCP to your friends and acquaintances. This way, we may empower the members of this wonderful ministry to continue to ‘Work in Witness for Christ’ and bring His Light to the world.

Faithfully in Christ,

Most Reverend Kevin J. Farrell, D.D
Bishop of Dallas