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Dear <First Name> and <First Name>,

I am pleased that you and your family have entrusted <Student>'s undergraduate education to The Catholic University of America. Pope Leo XIII chartered Catholic University with the mandate that it "give the Republic her best citizens." We seek to make good on this directive every single day through our faithfully Catholic teaching and research, but also through direct engagement with and service to the broader community. I would like to invite you to join our efforts by serving as a member of the University's Parents Council, which regularly shares ideas and strategic input with the University's administration on issues that are important to both students and families.

Members of the Council hail from across the country and provide valuable perspectives on issues relevant to the undergraduate experience - everything from the quality of the first-year programming to career advising. The Council usually meets twice a year, in the fall and spring, and the meeting format allows for in-depth discussion of the issues that matter most to you. The fall meeting will be held during Family Weekend, <Month> < Dates>.

Parents Council members have the chance to host parent events — including welcome receptions around the country — engage with University leadership, facilitate career development and internship opportunities, and receive frequent communication about campus life. The Council also allows members to connect as a group and share their knowledge with other Catholic University parents in various settings throughout the year, formal and not, in-person or online. This is perhaps one of the most rewarding benefits, and one I intend to utilize, as I am also new to Catholic University this year as well.

Membership on the Parents Council offers an unparalleled opportunity to make a difference for all Catholic University students, including your own. We ask each family on the Council to make a \$5,000 annual commitment, which is used to enrich the Catholic University experience for students and to act on the recommendations set forth by the Council.

I invite you to learn more about the Parents Council, other ways to get involved, and the impact of your support by contacting Kyra Lyons, senior director of student experience and family engagement, at lyonsk@cua.edu.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Peter Kilpatrick". The signature is written in a cursive style and is centered on the page.

Dr. Peter K. Kilpatrick
President