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Archbishop Casey is sharing the following statement from the Archdiocese of Cincinnati with the Springfield Community:

The wellbeing of the Haitian community of Springfield weighs heavily on the hearts of the faithful of the Archdiocese of Cincinnati. We have had the privilege of witnessing the upstanding lives that Haitian families have built here in our community. As worshippers in our parishes, students in our schools and hard workers seeking a leg-up from our Catholic charities, their faith, resilience, and contributions are a gift. The termination of the Temporary Protected Status (TPS) for Haitians in the United States has moved many of us to action, to stand with and advocate for our brothers and sisters in Christ.

Moved by this reality, Archbishop Casey joined other bishops in bringing our voices to Washington, D.C., to advocate for an orderly immigration process, one that also makes room for those fleeing violence and severe economic hardship. Yesterday, Archbishop Casey stood alongside Archbishop Wenski from Miami, Bishop Fabre-Jeune, from Charleston, and Haitian Cardinal Chibly Langlois from Les Cayes in meetings with U.S. Senators and members of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee to work towards the goal of a humane immigration policy. They closed the day in prayer, joining hundreds who gathered to pray for justice in our world and to offer solidarity to our Haitian brothers and sisters, at a Mass celebrated by Cardinal Chibly Langlois.

The present moment in our nation invites us into an examination of conscience about how we treat good people, now living among us, who have so few options left to protect their lives and dignity. As Pope Leo XIV asserted in his powerful encyclical, *Magnifica Humanitas*, "A litmus test for social justice today is the treatment of migrants, refugees and those forced to move..." (no.81).

Please join us in praying for our Haitian brothers and sisters during this uncertain time. Now that TPS has been terminated, we pray for humane enforcement, for the protection of families, and for the strength and peace of Christ to surround all who are affected. May we, as a community of faith, continue to walk with them, offering not only our prayers, but our presence, our advocacy, and our love.

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