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Dear Sisters,

I would like to take this opportunity to introduce myself as the new Freedom For All Ireland chairman for our Order. This is not really a new job for me as I was responsible for this endeavor while serving in the office of Catholic Action when the Ladies' National Board did not have a designated chair back in the 90's. With that said a great deal has changed in these many years and the focus of our efforts has been diversified to meet the growing needs of our Irish brothers and sisters.

I would be remiss not to recognize Peggy Cornish for the wonderful and thorough job she did while serving as the FFAI chairman these last two years. We must remember our appointees work tirelessly to support our National Board and you the women of the Order. I have attached a copy of the FFAI committee report and ask that you familiarize yourself with the recommendations put forth.

Please make all checks out to LAOH, Inc. so that we may have a record of all donations and forward them to the address above. We will be continuing the \$10.00 plus club for individual membership donation and appreciate your participation as every donation assists us in helping achieve a lasting peace with justice for all. Once again, there will be recognition for any division raising a onetime donation of \$1000.00. Our hats are off to those who continually try to meet this goal.

This is still a joint project with the Ancient Order of Hibernians and we will strive to communicate the recommendation of the 2016 FFAI committee that both National Presidents and FFAI chairmen discuss the decision making process and set up mutual guidelines for distribution of funds.

Please do not hesitate to contact me with questions or suggestions.

Yours in Friendship, Unity and Christian Charity,

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