



MICHIGAN
CATHOLIC
CONFERENCE

June 5, 2023

The Honorable Representative Kara Hope, Chair
House Committee on Criminal Justice
P.O. Box 30014
Lansing, MI 48906

Dear Chairwoman Hope:

Since the founding of this country, Anti-Catholicism has been present. Over the past 36 months, there has been a large increase of physical attacks and vandalism at Catholic Churches and Catholic nonprofits. With that in mind, we are pleased to offer support for House Bills 4476 and 4477.

I am happy to discuss this matter with you or any of the members of the House Criminal Justice Committee.

Sincerely,

Tom Hickson
Vice President for Public Policy and Advocacy

cc: The Honorable Representative Noah Arbit

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