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Statement regarding unanimous U.S. Supreme Court decision in *Fulton v. City of Philadelphia*

“We are encouraged by the United States Supreme Court’s unanimous decision this morning recognizing that faith-based agencies like Catholic Charities West Michigan should be protected, not shut down, because of their desire to offer desperately needed services to children in accord with their religious beliefs.

More than 425 children found loving homes through Catholic Charities West Michigan’s adoption and foster care programs this past year. Today’s unanimous SCOTUS decision affirms the importance of preserving the presence of faith-based institutions, which serve communities across our nation.”

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