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## Statement on Archbishop Carlson's Letter Regarding Girl Scouts

**ST. LOUIS** – On Thursday, February 18, Archbishop Carlson <u>released a letter</u> regarding the Archdiocese of St. Louis' relationship with the Girl Scouts. The letter asks parishes to evaluate the effectiveness of Girl Scout troops in promoting the Catholic faith and forming young women of virtue. Although this letter specifically addresses Girl Scouts, we continue to evaluate the mission effectiveness of all our youth outreach. So as to be inclusive of other faith-based groups and organizations dedicated to the formation of young girls, the letter announces the creation of a Catholic Committee for Girls' Formation replacing the Catholic Committee for Girl Scouts. Archbishop Carlson has already selected co-chairs for this new committee and its work has recently begun.

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