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Dear St. Francis Community,

It is with a heavy heart that I am writing to inform you that I will not be returning to St. Francis Catholic High School. I have been on a leave of absence for the last several months to take care of family issues, including grieving the loss of my father, and to address some ongoing health concerns. During this time away, I have made the difficult decision to resign as President/CEO to take care of my health and my family.

I wish to thank the Board of Trustees for their support and guidance, who always keep the best interests of St. Francis at the forefront of their decision-making. I also wish to thank Principal Elias Mendoza for his steadfast leadership of our school during my absence and especially these last two years as he navigated COVID protocols and myriad other issues. He will continue to lead the school in collaboration with our very talented and committed Executive Staff. The Board of Trustees will embark on a search for a new President/CEO in the new year.

It has been the greatest honor of my life to serve the St. Francis community these past nine years, first as principal and then as president. I will keep this beloved community in my prayers, asking the good Lord for His guidance and protection on all who enter these holy grounds.

May this Advent season prepare all of our hearts for Christ's birth and the kindling of hope in our weary world!

In the spirit of Pax et Bonum,

Theresa Rodgers