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Bishop Francis X. DiLorenzo Statement on Events Occurring in Charlottesville

(Richmond, Va.) – Bishop Francis X. DiLorenzo issued the following statement on the actions taking place in Charlottesville:

“In the last 24 hours, hatred and violence have been on display in the City of Charlottesville. I earnestly pray for peace. I invoke the prayer of St. Francis who prayed “Lord make me an instrument of thy peace. Where there is hatred, let me sow love; where there is injury, pardon.” I pray that those men and women on both sides can talk and seek solutions to their differences respectfully. The love of Jesus Christ is the most powerful weapon against hatred. Only the light of Christ can quench the torches of hatred and violence. Let us pray for peace.”

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