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Statement of Adrian Dominican Sisters on Executive Actions to Advance Construction of Oil Pipelines

January 24, 2017, Adrian, Michigan – In response to executive actions signed by President Donald Trump to advance the construction of the Keystone XL and Dakota Access oil pipelines, the General Council of the Adrian Dominican Sisters has issued the following statement:

The Adrian Dominican Sisters deplore the steps taken today by President Donald Trump to advance construction of the Keystone XL and Dakota Access oil pipelines. These actions send a dangerous signal about our nation's commitment to the COP21 Climate Agreement and pose a threat to the drinking water and sacred sites of our Native American brothers and sisters. We call on President Trump to reverse these actions and take steps to lead our country toward a new carbon-free economy of the 21st century.

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The Dominican Sisters of Adrian, a Congregation of about 675 vowed women religious and more than 200 Associates, traces its roots back to St. Dominic in the 13th century. The Sisters minister in 26 states; the District of Columbia; and in five other nations: Canada, the Dominican Republic, Mexico, Norway, and the Philippines. The Congregation's Vision is to "seek truth, make peace, reverence life."