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CATHOLIC CONFERENCE OFFERS POLICY POSITIONS FOR 2011

The Wisconsin Catholic Conference (WCC) is offering legislators and others a series of policy positions grounded in the major themes of Catholic Social Teaching as the new legislative session begins. These policy positions guide the advocacy and lobbying efforts of the WCC.

The document was prepared in consultation with leaders of diocesan departments and Catholic agencies, and reviewed and approved by the WCC's Board of Directors. The themes that govern the positions are: 1) Life and Dignity of the Human Person, 2) Family, Community, and Participation, 3) Rights and Responsibilities, 4) Option for the Poor and Vulnerable, 5) Dignity of Work and the Rights of Workers, 6) Solidarity, and 7) Care for God's Creation.

Each section begins with a short statement affirming a principle of Catholic Social Teaching and identifies the Conference's stance on a number of related policy questions.

"The vision of the WCC's Policy Positions is one of enduring hope. Our themes and priorities read the signs of the times, but they aren't swayed by elections or headlines," explained WCC Executive Director John Huebscher. "They are grounded in the principles of Catholic Social Teaching and the values they uphold. These values transcend political parties and liberal or conservative perspectives."

To view the WCC's 2011 Public Policy Positions, please visit www.wisconsinatholic.org

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