Malankara Orthodox Syrian Church

(Catholicate of the East)

Diocese of South West America

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Blessings to all our dearly beloved Cor-Episcopoi, Priests, Parish Managing Committee members and all the faithful,

As you are aware, a disciplinary action was taken against Fr. Joy Pyngolil, Florida by His Grace Mathews Mar Barnabas, the then Metropolitan of the undivided American Diocese. It was unfortunate that such an event took place, but we must be willing to accept the past and move towards a new beginning.

On June 12, 2009, a meeting took place in Houston between Fr. Joy Pyngolil and us to discuss the matter in detail in the presence of His Grace Mathews Mar Barnabas. During the meeting, Achen apologized for his actions if he had done anything against the Church. Following the meeting he sent us a written request to be reinstated him to the Diocese and amended the incorporation of the parish according to the Constitution and Traditions of the Malankara Orthodox Church.

In view of this, through prayer and the guidance of the Holy Spirit, we have concluded that Fr. Joy Pyngolil should be reinstated into the Diocese. Therefore, by this order, Fr. Joy Pyngolil is reinstated as a priest of the Diocese of Southwest America.

We hereby relieve Fr. John K. Vaidyan as the Vicar of St. Thomas Indian Orthodox Church, Hollywood, Florida and appoint Fr. Joy Pyngolil as the Vicar until further orders.

May the Spirit of God lead us towards unity in the body of Christ and grant you peaceful and prosperous lives.

Your Shepherd in Christ

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