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OFFICIAL STATEMENT OF THE DIOCESE OF PENSACOLA-TALLAHASSEE REGARDING REV. YOZEFU B. SSEMAKULA

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Regarding Rev. Yozefu Ssemakula, who is a priest in good standing in the Diocese of Pensacola-Tallahassee, we have no reservations about his ability to serve as a priest. His book, The Healing of Families, does not enjoy an *Imprimatur* or *Nihil Obstat*. Fr. Ssemakula requested these canonical designations from Archbishop Thomas Wenski, the then-Apostolic Administrator of the Diocese, after publishing his book. Archbishop Wenski asked his delegate to review the book, and he was advised not to grant the requested *Imprimatur* and *Nihil Obstat*, as this is not needed for a book of this sort. Thus no official acceptance or rejection of the book is given by me or my delegate.

Our office has received many reviews from those who have attended his seminars that have their basis in the teachings he gives in his book. Most found it very helpful while others were skeptical of some of his theological conclusions.

I pray that God may bless the good work that Fr. Ssemekula is doing, and that those who attend his seminars or read his book will find the healing that we all seek.

Sincerely Yours in Christ,

Most Rev. William A. Wack, CSC
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