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## **Bishop Golka's statement on effort to open Kendrick Castillo's cause for canonization**

COLORADO SPRINGS. Bishop James Golka issued the following statement in response to the submission of evidence to support opening the cause for canonization of Kendrick Castillo:

"I am very grateful for the time and effort that Father Gregory Bierbaum and Father Patrick DiLoreto of St. Mark Parish in Highlands Ranch have spent gathering evidence and conducting interviews to prepare for a petition to open the cause for canonization of Kendrick Castillo. Although I have just begun to review the information submitted, it seems clear that Kendrick was an exceptional young man. As we study and discern how to approach the massive undertaking of promoting a canonization cause, I ask all the faithful to keep Kendrick's family in their prayers. I also encourage everyone to privately invoke Kendrick's intercession, praying especially for the youth in our diocese, that they emulate his example of fortitude and generosity."

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