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The mission of St. Augustine Catholic School is to enable all children to see themselves in the heart of Christ.

Dear St. Augustine Catholic School families,

December 16, 2011

The Archdiocese is delighted to announce a transformational gift of \$5 million from the Kinder Foundation to the Catholic Schools Cooperative, which includes St. Augustine Catholic School.

Recognizing that Catholic schools in the Inner City have been and continue to be the best hope for children of our urban areas, the Kinder Foundation has pledged this generous gift to the five schools in our first cooperative: Resurrection School, St. Augustine School, St. Francis of Assisi School, St. Peter the Apostle School and St. Pius V School.

The gift by the Kinder Foundation provides the Cooperative with the financial support that will allow them to determine the effectiveness and success of this new innovative approach on a much faster timeline than originally planned and lead to an expansion of this model to all Inner City schools.

The Foundation's gift will support: instruction and technology; teacher pay; professional development; tuition assistance; and improvement at our Cooperative facilities, some of which are more than 50 years old.

We are hopeful that this contribution will inspire others to support our Catholic schools through the recently established Cardinal's Circle and other channels. The need of each of our Inner City schools is great. The Kinder Foundation's very generous gift does not supplant the ongoing funding required to continue to provide thousands of students an exemplary education and a strong foundation in Gospel values. We continue to need the full, participative support of all our parents, teachers and students.

Our Inner City Schools have succeeded not only developing your child's intellectual talents, but instilling in them a sense of service and a call to be responsible citizens. We are most grateful to the Kinder Foundation for this extraordinary gift, which will enable us to help your child fulfill his or her God-given potential.

Sincerely in Christ,

Fr. Michael Barrosa
St. Augustine Catholic Church Pastor

Mr. Lonnie Burgett
St. Augustine Catholic School Principal