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Since my appointment as auxiliary bishop of the Archdiocese of San Antonio, I have been involved with 40 Days for Life and other pro-life activities sponsored by the San Antonio Coalition for Life. I have found this organization to be highly focused on prayer and public witnessing, as they denounce the atrocities of abortion. It is not politically motivated, but tremendously pro-active in nature. Since it is ecumenical, it reaches far and wide into the greater community of San Antonio and beyond.

In working with Christian-based organizations such as *A Woman's Haven*, which assists pregnant women with needed services such a free ultrasounds, pregnancy tests, and prenatal information, San Antonio Coalition for Life stands ready to accompany women in need throughout their journey. In addition, their website offers valuable information to those pregnant and contemplating an abortion, as well as those who are suffering from the impact of an abortion, including family members and others.

It has been spiritually uplifting for me to observe those participating in this coalition. They exhibit a tremendous amount of dedication to the cause and remain focused on what matters most in the pro-life movement: doing everything possible to save babies from being aborted, directly assisting women in crisis, and accompanying women who decide not to abort their children. I am edified by their determination, energy and, most of all, their faith in God and the gift of life.

I will continue to journey with the San Antonio Coalition for Life in calling for not only an end to abortion, but a pledge to assist every pregnant woman in need who decides to choose life for her child.

Sincerely in Christ,

Most Reverend Gary W. Janak, JCL

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