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To the Reverend Clergy and the Faithful of Our Holy Church:

Beloved Sons and Daughters in the Lord,

Moved by fatherly concern and apostolic zeal, our beloved brother His Eminence Moses, Metropolitan of Toronto, earlier this year undertook to establish for the faithful of his sacred metropolis an online program to aid Orthodox parents desiring to provide godly teaching, in both sacred and secular intellectual pursuits, for their children of middle school and high school age. Seeing the need for just such an help for all the faithful of our Church in North America, we have decided to transfer the patronage of the St. John of Damascus Orthodox Education Initiative from the Sacred Metropolis of Toronto to our Holy Eparchial Synod, thus signifying our wholehearted blessing for the faithful of the Metropolis of America with its suffragan dioceses to join the faithful of the Metropolis of Toronto in both employing and supporting this God-pleasing work, for the salvation of the children entrusted them by God. Metropolitan Moses will continue as the hierarchical overseer of the Educational Initiative on behalf of the Eparchial Synod.

We instruct our beloved sons, the reverend pastors of the parishes and missions, to distribute copies of this protocol, along with the informational literature we have appended, to all the faithful entrusted to their care, and to encourage them to join in this sacred endeavor.

Invoking the intercession of our Holy Father John of Damascus, as well as that of those recent mighty champions of Orthodox instruction for the young, the Equal-to-the-Apostles Cosmas Aitolos and St. Nectarios of Pentapolis and Aegina, we remain

Your suppliants to the Lord,

The Holy Eparchial Synod

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