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Dear Friends in Christ,

The Hermits of Our Lady of Mount Carmel is a religious community with canonical status as a Roman Catholic Private Association of the Faithful under the canonical jurisdiction of the Diocese of Harrisburg.

As Bishop of the Diocese of Harrisburg and the Canonical Ordinary of the Hermits of Our Lady of Mount Carmel, and in accord with Canon 1265, §1 and the other appertaining canons of the Code of Canon Law, I grant permission for the community to solicit and receive donations, receive new vocations, and fulfill their spiritual apostolate in service to the Diocese of Harrisburg and the Catholic Church.

I encourage the support of this community's charism, growth, and apostolate, so that the blessed work which God has begun in and through this community may be brought to fruitful fulfillment, for the lasting service and spiritual benefit of many souls and of the entire Catholic Church.

Sincerely in Christ,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Ronald W. Gainer". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial 'R'.

Most Reverend Ronald W. Gainer