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Hagia Sophia Classical Academy
Indianapolis, Indiana

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Reverend Clergy,
Beloved Christians:

“Glory to God for his enlightening Word and for the Spirit of Truth who fulfills all!”

We are very pleased to know of the establishment of the Hagia Sophia Classical Academy in Metropolitan Indianapolis through the efforts of local clergy and faithful. This Classical Education school will offer to students an opportunity to be educated by means of the seven liberal arts and four sciences based upon the foundation of Sacred Scripture in the tradition of the Orthodox Christian Faith and Classical Hellenic wisdom.

Open to all Orthodox students who desire to attend, as well as any others interested in this unique school education. We understand that teachers are prepared to initiate classes and students are already signed up to begin classes which are set for September 6, 2011.

We whole-heartedly embrace the establishment of the Hagia Sophia Classical Academy and invite and encourage and exhort parents and guardians to support the Academy not only by enrolling their children but also but given voluntary help, financial support and moral encouragement.

For decades, Church leaders have discussed the need for such schools as the Academy but little has been done. We are grateful to those initiators of the Hagia Sophia Classical Academy for their foresight, dedication and sacrifices to establish it and bless their intentions with our hierarchal blessing.

+Nathaniel, Archbishop of Detroit Romanian Episcopate of
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