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DECREE

According to the authority I have as Bishop of Marquette and in virtue of my duty to encourage and guide Christ's faithful in the Diocese of Marquette to strive for and foster a more perfect life, after careful consideration of the 2011 Mission Statement, Civil Bylaws and Statutes presented by **Claves Regni Ministries** and responding to the request of the Board of Directors of **Claves Regni Ministries**, I herewith approve, within the limits of Canon Law, the Mission Statement, the Civil Bylaws and Statutes presented to me.

Claves Regni Ministries has been established by Kevin and Jennifer Branson for the primary mission of leading all people into the Fullness of Truth found in the Catholic Church under her Supreme Pontiff, the Successor of Saint Peter, who holds and keeps the Keys of the Kingdom ("Claves Regni") of Heaven as the Vicar of Christ. In order to achieve this primary mission **Claves Regni Ministries** recognizes that such achievement will only occur if their activities and goals spring from their faithfulness to the teachings of Jesus Christ and His Church, as proclaimed by the Pope and the Diocesan Bishops in communion with him.

Acknowledging the commitment of **Claves Regni Ministries** to know and accept the plan of God, to pursue the universal call to holiness, to foster a more perfect life and to promote Catholic teaching, I hereby establish **Claves Regni Ministries** as a Private Lay Association of the Christian Faithful. Relative to the prescriptions of Canons 298-311 of the Code of Canon Law, by this Decree **Claves Regni Ministries** is constituted a public juridical person with all the consequent rights and obligations as determined by Church Law.

I confirm Kevin and Jennifer Branson as founders of **Claves Regni Ministries**. May all members of **Claves Regni Ministries** generously respond to the will of God for them and, in harmony with the pastoral mission of this local Church, serve others as a true communion of persons.

Given at Marquette, Michigan, on this 21st
day of May in the Year of Our Lord 2012,

The Most Reverend Alexander K. Sample, Bishop
Roman Catholic Diocese of Marquette
State of Michigan USA

Reverend Ronald T. Browne
Ecclesiastical Notary

Claves Regni Ministries is a Private Lay Association of the Christian Faithful established under the authority of the Bishop of the Diocese of Marquette, Michigan.