



BY THE GRACE OF GOD

In recognition of the fact that SS. Peter and Paul Parish is the oldest Orthodox parish in the State of Michigan and is regarded as the Mother Church among all Orthodox communities in this State; and with gratitude to the All-merciful God that this Parish has accepted with joy the new opportunities and challenges of urban ministry — I, **† JOB**, Bishop of Chicago and the Midwest, having petitioned the Holy Synod of the Orthodox Church in America, meeting in Oyster Bay Cove, New York, in March, in the year of Our Lord, 2000, and now acting upon its decision, am pleased to proclaim that this Church has been awarded the dignity of cathedral status, and as of this day, the 2nd of July, 2000, it is to be known as **SS. PETER AND PAUL ORTHODOX CATHEDRAL of Detroit, Michigan.**

† Job, Bishop of Chicago
and the Midwest