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**Statement from the Assumption University Board of Governors on the death of
Rev. Dr. Mario D'Souza, CSB**

The members of the Board of Governors of Assumption University acknowledge the recent death of Rev. Dr. Mario D'Souza, CSB, and convey our condolences to his sister-in-law and nieces, to his Basilian confrères and to his many friends and colleagues in Catholic Higher Education. Among several appointments, Mario taught at and served as President of Assumption University from 1992 to 1996. More recently he served as Dean of the Faculty of Theology at the University of St. Michael's College in Toronto, where he also held the Basilian Fathers' Chair in Religion and Education. He had a particular interest in and passion for Catholic Education and its philosophical foundations, as evidenced in his recent landmark work *A Catholic Philosophy of Education: The Church and Two Philosophers*.

Throughout his priestly ministry, Mario was fully committed to bearing witness to the Gospel and its relevance and application to contemporary human life. May he find the fullness of life in the Lord whom he so faithfully served.



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