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Dearest Sisters,

At 8:00 p.m. yesterday, just six days after the death of Sr. Felicidade Ziglio, her sister, a member of the Cidade Regina (Sao Paulo) community, Brazil, was called to say her definitive *yes* to the Lord:

ZIGLIO ITALIA – SR. ANGELA
born in Barra Bonita (Sao Carlos), Brazil on 6 August 1924

Sr. Angela's enthusiastic, communicative nature and broad apostolic vision has left an indelible mark on our Brazilian Province. She entered the Congregation in Sao Paulo on 6 January 1937, together with her sister, Sr. Felicidade. She underwent her initial formation and novitiate in the Sao Paulo community, concluding it with her first profession on 25 January 1944.

After carrying out the capillary and collective diffusion apostolate very intensively in Rio de Janeiro and Sao Paulo, she made her preparation for perpetual profession in Rome, following which she was sent to Portugal to help open our first FSP community there. But Sr. Angela fell ill and had to be replaced by another sister. When she returned to Brazil, she was assigned to the technical apostolate in Sao Paulo and shortly afterward began the service of superior in different local communities (Rio de Janeiro, Recife and Maringa).

From afar, Maestra Thecla accompanied the Institute's young superiors by frequently sending them short encouraging notes. She wrote to Sr. Angela in 1954: "Have courage! Do you have problems? Put them in the heart of the Blessed Mother. Do everything in the company of this good Mother of ours, who loves us very much."

With gaze and heart fixed on the Virgin Mary, Sr. Angela worked in the book centers of Sao Paul DM and Porto Alegre. In the latter community, she devoted herself with great love to the study of theology, obtaining a license in this field from the city's Catholic University. Her years of study gave a fresh cultural and ecclesial impetus to her apostolic life and laid the foundation for the attitude of learning from everyone and everything that characterized her whole life. In fact, Sr. Angela "infected" priests and the laity with her joy in carrying out the Pauline mission, communicating to everyone the beauty of dedicating one's life to helping the Gospel race ahead and reach even the most remote corners of her immense country.

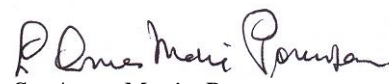
She was assigned to different FSP branch houses in Sao Paulo, while channeling her time, energy, intelligence and creativity into activities in the province's central book center. Her presence in the Queen of Apostles house of formation was a gift to the young women there, who saw in her a fulfilled Pauline apostle, whose heart burned for the mission of the Institute. After this period, Sr. Angela was asked to carry out the service of superior once again, this time in Sao Paulo (Alberione community), Niteroi, the provincial house and Curitiba successively.

She competently supervised the renovation of several FSP edifices and then, from 2005-2014, worked in the administration office of the Domingos de Moraes community, Sao Paulo, carrying out her work with great capability until she suffered a stroke that left her almost completely paralyzed. On that day, she had remained in her office until 6:00 p.m., content at the chance to initiate the paperwork for the pensions of several sisters.

Sr. Angela was an upright sister, a true Daughter of St. Paul, who had placed the Divine Master at the center of her life and who made the most of every opportunity to carry out the services entrusted to her. In 1975, in response to a circular letter of the Superior General, she wrote: "I renew my *yes* to the Lord, which I want to make afresh every day, even though I know now through experience that sometimes that *yes* calls for renunciations. But it is easier to do everything for God when we walk alongside him. Therefore, I want to renew my *yes* to him with the same fervor as on my profession day."

Sr. Angela and the many other sisters whom the Lord seems to be calling to heaven at a quicker speed these days leave us the precious heritage of dedication to the Pauline charism. They place on our shoulders the "mantle of the prophets" so that we can live with renewed fervor today the grace poured out on our Founder—a grace that enables us, in faith, to accomplish true miracles of love in the apostolate.

Affectionately,


Sr. Anna Maria Parenzan
Superior General

Rome, 20 June 2018