

Date: October 15<sup>th</sup>, 2016

Dear Vincentian brothers and sisters,

**Re: Election of a new Toronto Central Council President**

As announced at the Annual General Meeting on Tuesday Oct 4<sup>th</sup>, 2016, President Robert Ossowski's term expires on July 1, 2017. ***It is time to plan for his replacement.***

The Board of Directors has appointed an Election Committee to oversee the selection of a new President. The nomination period starts now and will end on Jan 31<sup>st</sup>, 2017. All members of Toronto Conferences and Councils are invited to submit their nominations for President.

**Following is the projected timeline for the election process:**

Oct 15 <sup>th</sup> , 2016	- Initial communication to members
Oct 15 <sup>th</sup> , 2016	- Call for nominations
Jan 31 <sup>st</sup> , 2017	- Nomination period ends
Feb 7 <sup>th</sup> , 2017	- Candidate information will be provided to the membership
Feb 7 <sup>th</sup> – Mar 31 <sup>st</sup> , 2017	- Candidate meetings in the Particular Councils will take place
Apr 1 <sup>st</sup> , 2017	- Instructions for voting will be sent to the voting members
April 15 <sup>th</sup> – 30 <sup>th</sup> , 2017	- Online and mail-in voting
May 1 <sup>st</sup> -15 <sup>th</sup> , 2017	- Runoff voting (if required)
May 21 <sup>st</sup> , 2017	- Results announced
Jun 30 <sup>th</sup> , 2017	- Installation of new President

The President of the Central Council will be elected through online voting or mail-in secret ballots (where necessary) by the voting members for a term of office of five years. This term of office is not renewable.

By the end of October you will receive an official call for nominations detailing the nomination process, position description and nomination form.

We ask our founder, Blessed Frederic Ozanam, and our patron Saint Vincent de Paul, to enlighten us in the task we are facing, so that we find the best candidates called upon to lead our [Central Council](#).

Fraternally yours,

The Election Committee:

Ed Koen (Annunciation of the Blessed Virgin Mary conference) Chair

John Menary (Nativity of Our Lord conference)

Carol Roberts (Epiphany of Our Lord conference)