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Dear Brothers and Sisters,

The Secular Franciscan Order with its current structure and organization has a history of 44 years, since we have received the renewed Rule from pp Saint Paul VI in 1978. During this history it has not more than 4 general ministers, among whom the very first one was Manuela Mattioli, our sister from Venezuela. She was also one of those who worked tirelessly for the renewal of the OFS, and gave her precious contributions to the work of the edition of the renewed Rule. The occasion we should mention this is that she has died on November 3rd, 1992, so we are now celebrating the

30th anniversary of the decease of Manuela Mattioli.

When we send you now attached the message of the Organization Committee for the commemoration of the 30yrs anniversary of the death of Manuela Mattioli, I invite you to remember our beloved very first General Minister in prayer on the day of her death, November 3rd.

May her example inspire all of us to live our Secular Franciscan vocation more profoundly, in the spirit of our Rule, for which she had worked so much, and for the renewal of our Order, for which she never ceased to dedicate her tireless efforts.

With fraternal greetings

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