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BREAKING

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Cardinal Daniel DiNardo, Archbishop of Galveston-Houston, Texas, and President of the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops, whose Archdiocese was recently raided by law enforcement authorities for information relative to clergy sexual abuse, spent decades as a high-ranking Church official in the Vatican, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, and Sioux City, Iowa.

What was Cardinal Daniel DiNardo's role in the cover-up of clergy sexual abuse in the Congregation for Bishops in Rome, as Assistant Chancellor, Assistant Secretary for Education, Seminary Professor, and Parish Priest in the Diocese of Pittsburgh, and Bishop of Sioux City, Iowa?

Pennsylvania Attorney General Josh Shapiro's August 14, 2018 release of the Pennsylvania Grand Jury's report of clergy sexual abuse in six dioceses of Pennsylvania, including the Diocese of Pittsburgh, indicated that 99 priests were credibly accused of sexual abuse of minor children and described evidence of at least one ring of sexually abusive priests who "marked" children with crosses and other ritualistic items in the Diocese of Pittsburgh.

Cardinal Daniel DiNardo, who was ordained a priest of the Diocese of Pittsburgh in 1977, served in parishes and diocesan administration as Assistant Chancellor and Assistant Secretary of Education in Pittsburgh for many years (as well as assignments in the Vatican and Iowa), probably had an active role in what Attorney General Josh Shapiro described as a cover-up of the cover-up

WHAT:

A press conference calling on Cardinal Daniel DiNardo to reveal what he knows about allegations of sexual abuse of children, teenagers, and vulnerable adults by clergy when he was Assistant Chancellor, Assistant Secretary for Education, Seminary Professor, and Parish Pastor and Priest in the Diocese of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, the Vatican, and Sioux City, Iowa

WHEN:

Tuesday, December 4, 2018 at 11:30 AM

WHERE:

On the public sidewalk outside the headquarters of the Diocese of Pittsburgh, PA, 111 Boulevard of the Allies, Pittsburgh, PA 15222

WHO:

Robert M. Hoatson, Ph.D., Co-founder and President of Road to Recovery, Inc., a non-profit charity based in New Jersey that assists victims of sexual abuse and their families; victim/survivor of clergy abuse and former priest;

James Faluszczyk, victim/survivor of clergy sexual abuse, former priest of the Diocese of Erie, and witness before the Pennsylvania Grand Jury.

WHY:

It is time for Cardinal Daniel DiNardo, whose home Diocese of Pittsburgh where he spent many years, which was highlighted in the recent Pennsylvania Grand Jury report as a center of sexual abuse of clergy sexual abuse, to come clean about what he knew and knows about clergy sexual abuse in the Diocese of Pittsburgh, the Vatican, and Sioux City, Iowa. Please see information above.

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(portrayed in the 2016 Academy Award-winning Best Picture, "Spotlight")