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KCBC Pays Tribute to the Most Reverend Abraham Mar Julios

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KOCHI: The Kerala Catholic Bishops' Council (KCBC) offers its respectful tributes to the Most Reverend Abraham Mar Julios, who has departed for his eternal reward after rendering invaluable services to the Church in Kerala across various capacities as a member of the KCBC since 2008. Consecrated as the first Bishop of the Syro-Malankara Eparchy of Muvattupuzha in February 2008, he heralded the comprehensive growth and development of the eparchy. Having rendered unique contributions to the Church in Kerala while serving as Chairman of the KCBC Theological Commission from 2010 to 2013 and as Chairman of the KCBC Bible Commission from 2017 onwards, he retired from active duty in 2019.

Prior to his elevation to the episcopate, he rendered distinguished service in his capacity as Director of the Pushpagiri Institutions in Thiruvalla. Archbishop Varghese Chakkalakal, President of the KCBC, recalled that as an eloquent speaker, thinker, and orator, the late Bishop continued to guide the Church in Kerala through his advice and counsel even after entering retirement. The KCBC joins in the grief of the Archdiocese of Thiruvalla, the Eparchy of Muvattupuzha, and the entire faithful community, offering its heartfelt prayers and condolences.

(Signed)

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