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To
Most Rev. Dr. Gerald Isaac Lobo
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From
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Sub: Letter of Requisition

Dear Most Rev. Dr. Gerald Isaac Lobo,

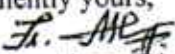
Pace e Bene!

Fr. Alfred Roche, OFM Cap., is a precious friar of our Holy Trinity Province, Karnataka, India. It was on 31st Dec. 1996 that the heavenly Father called him for the eternal reward. The funeral mass was officiated by His Excellency Aloysius Paul D'Souza, the then Bishop of the Diocese of Mangalore with the then Provincial Minister, Fr. Vincent Furtado OFM Cap and a vast number of priests, religious, and laity. On account of an ardent request from the faithful of the Holy Family Parish, Brahmavar, where he had rendered his loving and dedicated apostolate for 18 years, the then provincial council in consultation with the then Bishop of Mangalore, gave the permission to have him interred in the parish cemetery at Brahmavar.

It was in the year 2010 during the Provincial Chapter, paying due attention to the humble and simple life of Fr. Alfred Roche, solidly founded on the Word and the Eucharist, the decision was taken by the capitulars to send the name of Fr. Alfred Roche to the Holy See. As a result, the provincial council set a commission of 4 friars to make a deeper study of the person and mission of Fr. Alfred Roche. In fact, as the fruit of the hard work done by the members of this commission lot of material about the life and apostolate of Fr. Alfred Roche has been gathered and made known to the people of God at large by writing books and articles as well as through the data in mass media. Besides 80 written witnesses have been collected. In addition to this there are individuals who have borne witness to miraculous healings and favours received through the intercession of Fr. Alfred Roche.

We, the Capuchin Franciscans of Holy Trinity Province, Karnataka have a strong desire to raise Fr. Alfred Roche, OFM, Cap., to the altar of Sainthood. Now may I approach you and place our request before you for the process of the cause of the Beatification of Fr. Alfred Roche. We the Capuchin friars of the Holy Trinity Province, Karnataka, earnestly pray and look forward with confidence to the day, when our beloved confrere will be raised to the altar of God.

Thanking you in anticipation,
Obediently yours,


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Minister Provincial,

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