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Dear Ms. Schierling:

It is a distinct pleasure to write a letter celebrating Rev. Ernie Bartell's great qualities and many contributions. I first met Ernie years ago when he was a graduate student at Princeton. He was not only an excellent student, but also a most effective counsellor and advisor to many younger students – though, I should add, some were surprised to find a Catholic priest seated augustly behind his desk when they opened the door to his office! Later, I watched with admiration Ernie's successes at Notre Dame, including of course his leadership of the Kellogg Institute.

Still later, Ernie was a great friend and, yes, a pastor, when my aged mother moved to South Bend. Working with Fr. Hesburgh, Ernie managed to place her in an excellent facility in South Bend. Then, he visited her regularly and was great source of comfort and good cheer to all of us.

Ernie has been, truly, a "man for all seasons," and it is a privilege as well as a pleasure to participate vicariously in this well-deserved tribute to him.

Sincerely,



William G. Bowen  
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