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Title 42 Ends But Danger Lurks

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(Silver Spring, MD) – Finally, we see the end of Title 42, but danger lurks. Since President Trump co-opted this section of law and President Biden continued it, the world has become more perilous and its citizens more threatened. Wars have erupted. Economies have cratered. Governments and private industries have plundered. The innocent have been taken hostage by these threats and are seeking refuge and safety in our country where freedom reigns and dreams can become reality.

So what is next? What do we do? Mr. President, we welcome these migrants and asylum seekers. We also must streamline and update our asylum and immigration laws and expand the paltry numbers of asylees we welcome.

We are relieved that Title 42 is coming to a close. We hope that as America turns this corner, we all remember our common dignity and we see the face of a friend in all we meet and welcome.

<u>The National Advocacy Center</u> educates and advocates on social justice issues for the transformation of society to the benefit of all people reflecting the spirituality, history and mission of the Sisters of the Good Shepherd. NAC advocates at the Federal level for people living in poverty, immigrants, survivors of human trafficking, survivors of domestic abuse, and other vulnerable populations.

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The Sisters of the Good Shepherd was founded in France in 1835 and are in 70 countries on 5 continents and have had a presence in the United States for over 175 years. With a presence in 22 states and 1 U. S. Territory, the Sisters and their Lay Mission Partners have dedicated themselves to serving girls, women and families who experience poverty, exploitation, vulnerability and marginalization.