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His Holiness Patriarch Kirill extends condolences to Primate of Orthodox Church in America over the demise of Archpriest Sergei Garklavs

In the evening of 19 October 2015, Archpriest Sergei Garklavs, Dean Emeritus of the Holy Trinity Cathedral in Chicago, guardian of the Tikvin Icon of the Mother God, died at a Chicago hospital at the age of 87.

His Holiness Patriarch Kirill of Moscow and All Russia sent condolences to His Beatitude Metropolitan Tikhon of All America and Canada over the deat of Fr, Sergei. The text of the message is given below.

HIS BEATITUDE TIKHON

ARCHBISHOP OF WASHINGTON

METROPOLITAN OF ALL AMERICA AND CANADA

Your Beatitude,

Beloved in the Lord Brother and Concelebrant at God's Altar,

I have been deeply grieved to learn about the demise of a cleric of the Orthodox Church in America, Archpriest Sergei Garklavs, Dean Emeritus of the Church of the Holy Trinity in Chicago.

The deceased pastor was a zealous servant of the Lord's altar and guardian of a great shrine of our Church, the Tikhvin Icon of the Mother of God. Thanks to his care, the icon was not lost in the twists and turns of the past century, but was brought back to its historical place, the Tikhvin Monastery.

May the All-Merciful Lord rest the soul of His recently deceased servant, Archpriest Sergei, in the dwellings of the righteous and make his memory eternal.

Please convey my condolences to the relatives and friends of Fr. Sergei.

With brotherly love in Christ,

+KIRILL

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