



Dear **[Insert Faith Leader Name]**,

National Donor Sabbath is observed annually, two weekends before Thanksgiving, Friday through Sunday. This year, National Donor Sabbath is November 13-15. This three-day observance seeks to include the days of worship for major religions practiced in the United States. During National Donor Sabbath, faith leaders and their communities participate in services and programs to educate the public about the need for donation, the generosity of the gift and the importance of registering one's decision to be an organ, eye and tissue donor.

As a respected faith leader, I would like to ask for your help in educating our congregation and community about donation and the critical need for more registered donors. Currently, more than 100,000 men, women and children are in desperate need of lifesaving transplants. Thousands more can be helped through tissue and corneal transplants.

Below are a few ideas of how you can celebrate National Donor Sabbath:

- Share the message of donation with your congregation and encourage them to register. One of the main reasons people hesitate to register is the belief that it is against their religion. With your help, we can eliminate this misconception and teach donation as a true act of compassion supported by all major U.S. religions.
- Share the message of donation electronically using a website or social media platform. Flyers and graphics are available at LifeShareCarolinas.org/Donor-Sabbath.
- Inviting a member of your faith community, such as a transplant recipient or family member of a donor, to share their personal experience with donation before, during, or after a service.

I would be happy to help in bringing this very important message to our faith community about the importance of organ, eye, and tissue donation.

Sincerely,

[Name]

[Contact Information]