



OFFICIAL STATEMENT

To: The Madonna University Community

Statement for the Loss of a Fellow Student:

On February 10, 2017, Madonna University lost a valuable member of our community. Kristin Gonzales, a technical writing major, joined our Heavenly Father. Kristin was a Ladywood High School graduate of 2014. After coming to Madonna, she became a devoted employee in the Office of Career Services. She would take on any task at hand, often working quietly and diligently to get things done for her team. There was never a day when she didn't greet her co-workers with a friendly hello, or made sure that she said goodbye to everyone in the office before she left. She never turned away a question of her co-workers or a fellow student looking for guidance. She prided herself on her great faith and love of Christ, and was a parishioner at Our Lady of Sorrows Church in Farmington Hills, Michigan. She was very close to her family, especially her parents and two sisters.

Kristin was a lover of the arts! She enjoyed listening to K-Pop music, reading, Japanese manga, and watching Korean TV shows. She was also a very talented and passionate writer.

It is mournful times like these that we are reminded of just how truly precious life is and how important it is to be authentic in pursuing our talents and ambitions. The wonderful traits, talents, and impact that Kristin had will live on in the memories of those she knew best, especially her fellow students, co-workers, friends, and family.

We will always remember Kristin and hold her dear to our hearts. We, as a community, must continue to lift Kristin up in prayer. Madonna University's Student Senate would like to extend our deepest condolences to Kristin's family and friends during this difficult time.

Jesus said to her, "I am the resurrection and the life. Whoever believes in me, though he die, yet shall he live, and everyone who lives and believes in me shall never die."

John 11:25-26

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