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The Landmarks of Federal Hill: Dedication Ceremony of Monsignor Carvallaro Plaza

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In a background set, with the ringing of chimes and bells from the belfry of the former St. Marcellinus Church which now houses the Providence and Federal Hill sections of the City of Providence, the ceremonies were opened by Moderator of the Parish, Msgr. Joseph J. Marcello, who welcomed all those who attended. He shared the thoughts of the Bishop and the Diocesan officials present and invited all to share in the joy of the occasion. He also introduced the various groups and individuals who were to participate in the ceremony. The remarks were followed by a Prayer of Blessing, offered by the Rev. Dr. John F. Murray, who mentioned the contributions of the past and present parishioners. He concluded by asking for the grace of God to bless all those present and to guide them in their service to the community.

At that point, Muratore introduced the Bishop, who proceeded to deliver his remarks. Bishop Gelineau stated that the occasion was an important one for the community and that the presence of the Bishop and the Bishop of the Providence Diocese, Mr. Robert J. Hinde, represented the support of the Diocese. He emphasized the need for adequate and proper housing in the city of Providence and thanked the Monsignor Cavallaro Plaza for his vision and foresight. He also praised the Monsignor Cavallaro, who was present and addressed the crowd.

Following the Bishop's remarks, various members of the community, including prominent figures such as Aldo Freda, Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Cavallaro, and Mr. and Mrs. Joseph J. Marcello, delivered their own speeches, expressing their support and gratitude for the Monsignor Cavallaro Plaza and the work of the Monsignor Cavallaro.

The land was dedicated to the Monsignor Cavallaro Plaza, and the bust of Monsignor Cavallaro was unveiled. The ceremony was a momentous occasion for the community, and the Monsignor Cavallaro Plaza was officially opened.

The ceremony concluded with the singing of the national anthem, and the crowd dispersed to continue their conversation and to explore the Monsignor Cavallaro Plaza.