Washington, DC - Congressman Charlie Gonzalez (TX-20) issued the following statement on last night's four-alarm fire at Our Lady of the Lake University in San Antonio:

"I am deeply saddened by last night's events. Our Lady of the Lake University has long been a pillar of our community in San Antonio and the loss of Old Main, a historic West Side institution for over a century, is devastating one."

"We must, however, remain grateful that not a single person was injured last night in what could have been a very deadly catastrophe."

"As we move forward into what will surely be a difficult rebuilding period for our community, I am committed to doing all I can to assist in the process; my office will begin by exploring federal and local opportunities to aid the reconstruction and recovery efforts.

"Together, we will not only overcome the tragedy that struck Our Lady of Lake University, but we will emerge as a stronger and more cohesive community."

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