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I am honored to be able to join my President Colleagues. Hopefully the portion of our salaries that we give to the Poor will make a significant difference, and it may even encourage other Presidents to do the same.

I am very happy that my religious community is willing to take some of my salary for the fight against Global Poverty. We Vincentians follow the life and example of St. Vincent de Paul, who did all he could to fight poverty in his own times.

I am grateful to God and my Vincentian Community for this opportunity to serve the poor in at least this small way; St. John's University has an institutional commitment to encourage and help our students to live their lives in service of the poor.

Sincerely,

Joseph J. Juesgre, cm Joseph L. Levesque, C.M.

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