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I have chosen to participate in The Presidents' Pledge Against Global Poverty to add my voice and personal resources to this noble effort that addresses the overwhelming disparity between the wealth of the first world and the poverty of the third world.

As president of Canisius College, one of the nation's 28 Jesuit colleges and universities, I identify strongly with the goals of this initiative. We stress to our students that the purpose of a Jesuit education is to become "men and women for and with others." We teach this in our classrooms and practice it through service projects and immersion/service trips to foreign destinations. We emphasize that we need to stand in solidarity with the poor, the marginalized, and the oppressed throughout the world and to take action to alleviate their suffering.

I am grateful that the Presidents' Pledge has provided me with an opportunity to give my students and others a concrete example of how they might act on their responsibility to serve their fellow man and promote justice in the world.

Sincerely,

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