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I am proud to join the President's Pledge Against Global Poverty, uniting with colleagues in taking personal, public action toward a world where everyone's basic needs are met. Each of us has had the privilege of education, and I believe it is incumbent on educational leaders to participate in efforts alleviating circumstances of injustice. Poverty and hunger severely limit people's capacity to learn and contribute in their home communities and around the world. We have the resources to make small changes and draw significant attention to the world's most marginalized populations.

I have taken the President's Pledge as an active step toward fighting global poverty. The goal of the project is to use philanthropy to create social change. By making a public commitment, our hope is to foster a culture of giving that will save lives. As the president of a women's college, I want to encourage women to discover the power of philanthropy by directing my own resources to an issue that uniquely affects women and children. As the president of a college whose mission is to use liberal learning for purposeful engagement in the world, I believe this pledge is an example of our mission in action.

Sincerely,



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