



With this letter, I am pleased to pledge my personal support and contribution to The President's Pledge Against Global Poverty.

As the President of Loras College, I am proud of our students' extraordinary commitment to service. Annually, they contribute over 60,000 hours of service to those who have need – locally, regionally, domestically and internationally. As such, Loras has been named to the President's Higher Education Honor Roll for Community Service for six straight years and with distinction for the past four years. Most of our students' service hours are in direct support of impoverished children, families and communities.

As Iowa's first college and second oldest Catholic college west of the Mississippi, Loras has a 175 year history and commitment toward serving, educating and financing those in our society who are most vulnerable. To cite but a few examples: one-third of our student body is first generation; more than two-thirds of our student body has annual financial need in excess of \$20,000; ten percent of our student body come from third world countries and; our Fr. Ray Herman Peace and Justice Center offers immersive educational opportunities which encourage our students to actively engage in a lifelong vocation of honoring human dignity.

With our students serving as my inspiration; the Loras' mission as my strategic passion and; with faith as my core, I am driven to pledge my personal financial support to this moral imperative.

Cordially,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "James E. Collins '84". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, looping initial 'J'.

James E. Collins '84
President