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On behalf of the University, I thank you for your gifts to the Endowment Fund for the enrichment of our academic programs. The best insurance policy for academic excellence is a large endowment, and your gifts pay the premium each year to guarantee Grand Valley's future.

There were three goals set for the Board of the Grand Valley University Foundation when it was established: First - to oversee all the University's fund-raising; second - to build the endowment fund; and third - to launch the Grand Design Campaign which made this building a reality. I congratulate you on your success, and look forward to future successes as well.

I would like to pay tribute to Marvin DeVries, who later this year will return to a teaching position at Grand Valley, after having served as Dean of the Seidman School of Business.

Marv was instrumental in establishing the Enrichment Dinner, a forerunner of the Grand Valley Foundation. He was also a charter faculty member of Grand Valley, and the organizer of the Seidman
AFFILIATES WHICH, BEFORE THE FOUNDATION WAS ESTABLISHED, BROUGHT TOGETHER BUSINESS AND COMMUNITY LEADERS ON BEHALF OF THE INSTITUTION.

I RETURN THE PODIUM TO OUR CHAIRMAN SINCE THESE DINNERS BEGAN IN 1976 WITH MY PERSONAL THANKS, AND THANKS FROM ALL THE UNIVERSITY FOR HIS LEADERSHIP, GENEROSITY, AND GOOD WILL.