



OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

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Mount St. Mary's University  
16300 Old Emmitsburg Road  
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Dear Mr. Powell:

I was pleased to receive the letter from the Bicentennial Commission inviting the academic community to join in the celebration of Mount St. Mary's Bicentennial. Achieving such a profound milestone is certainly an accomplishment that deserves a year-long and nationwide celebration, which you have so appropriately identified and planned.

Please accept this letter of acknowledgement and congratulations as Dickinson College's bold statement to you and the participating academic community for your invaluable contributions to the intellectual enterprise that is higher education. It is our honor to have been included in your visual memorialization of such a momentous mark in history.

It is certainly noteworthy to share your institution's history and its important contributions to both the religious community and the world. Your work in laying the foundation is a testament to the relevance and richness of your tradition. Again, Dickinson is honored to have been included in your celebration and wishes you much success as you continue to build a strong legacy.

Sincerely,

William G. Durden  
President

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