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Wow, what a year for your College! The largest single outright gift in university history? \$10M from one of our most dedicated and outstanding Trustees! You inspired Andy to contribute and be a part of the wonderful work being done. And you inspire me.

Thank you for the invitation to speak with you briefly today. I was asked to talk about the university's vision and goals. Last academic year, I wrote a vision for Regis University for the next 25 years. That vision reads:

Affirming Regis University's identity as a Jesuit, Catholic institution, we will seek the *Magis* by making a greater difference for the common good locally and globally by inspiring, challenging, and educating those who are willing and able to make a difference.

Regis University will be a social projection, a community of teachers and learners - scholars all - that serves as leaven in the world; it is a sacred, and privileged place where no question is unable to be engaged and pathways to viable answers are discovered.

Being a social projection means that we use all means by which the university communicates - *projects* - knowledge beyond the campus, to help shape the consciousness of the wider society. In short, through the education of our students, we project what we would like our society to be. And we do this in order to improve the psychological well-being of people in our society.

Business education is critical to Regis University achieving its vision of being a social projection. Business education is a pillar of Regis University. And, it's unique in the marketplace because we incorporate values that are Jesuit, Catholic, and simply good for society. A few examples of those values:

I know these goals are achievable. They are achievable - just like the gift given to the College by Andy Anderson - if we follow our vision and stick to our mission. Our mission of educating undergraduate, graduate, and professional students with the knowledge and skills needed to be men and women in service of others, rooted in our Jesuit, Catholic foundation, the humanities and the faith that does justice.

Thank you for inviting me to speak. And thank you for all your hard work and dedication to this great university!