

(Letter to external representatives)

January 23, 2015

Dear [First Name],

During 2015 and 2016 the University of North Texas will celebrate its 125th Anniversary. The Quasiquicentennial will commemorate our university's rich history and significant impact on the region. In the last 125 years, UNT has evolved from a small Texas teacher's college into one of the nation's prominent institutions. The university, as well as the City of Denton, has seen immense change and prosperity in the last century, and I'm thrilled to serve as President of UNT during this special time.

In honor of this milestone, we will celebrate during a series of commemorative activities and initiatives which will enhance events such as Commencement, Homecoming, the opening of the University Union, and the State-of-the-University Address. We would also like to collaborate with community representatives regarding our 125th Anniversary to ensure we leverage this opportunity for Denton and the surrounding region. I am pleased to invite you or your designee to join the 125th Anniversary Steering Committee to assist in the development of plans and strategies for this year-long celebration.

The committee will be chaired by Eileen Moran, Acting Vice President for Advancement and Elizabeth With, Vice President for Student Affairs. The committee will meet regularly throughout 2015 and into 2016. Your role as a committee member may include chairing an appropriate sub-committee.

The first meeting of the 125th Anniversary Committee will be held Friday, February 6, 2015, at 12 Noon in the Alumni Center, located in the Gateway Center. Lunch will be served.

Your vision and passion for this community is inspiring and will contribute significantly to the accomplishments of this committee. Please respond by February 2 indicating your interest in participating as a committee member by emailing jennifer.mcdermott@unt.edu. Thank you for being a champion for UNT, and I look forward to collaborating with you to mark this very important occasion.

Sincerely,

Neal J. Smatresk
President

Cc:

Eileen Moran
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