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Supporting the Next Generation of Geographers

To all AAG Members,

I am writing to you today, together with several other colleagues, to express our gratitude and appreciation for the years of scholarship, research, teaching, and other contributions you have made to the discipline of geography, and also for your support of the Association of American Geographers. Although you have likely supported the discipline and the AAG in many ways over the years, you may not be aware that the Association depends on bequests, donations, and other forms of planned giving to achieve its continued growth in programs and membership. We ask that you please consider remembering geography and the AAG when making your financial plans this year.

As you may have gathered from recent newsletters and annual meetings, geography and the AAG are enjoying a wonderful and hard-earned period of sustained growth. Over the past several years, the AAG has developed a host of new initiatives and programs both to support existing members as well as cultivate new ones. For example, our newly launched Developing Regions Program seeks to make AAG membership possible for those living in developing regions of

the world not able to afford a traditional membership, and a new endowment for geography's future has been established.

It is at this stage of our careers and our lives that many of us are able to give back financially to those around us, just as others in the past have contributed to our own professional development over the years. Including the AAG in any planned giving you make will allow the Association to help new generations of geographers make their mark on the discipline and the world. Naturally, your financial advisor is the best source

of advice regarding bequests.

Many thanks for your past contributions as well as your future consideration of funding for AAG programs supporting geography, and especially your support of young geographers entering our ranks. On page 8 is a form listing of some of the giving programs available at the AAG. The AAG is a 501(c)(3) tax exempt organization, and contributions to the AAG are tax deductible to the extent allowed by law. If you have any questions about planned giving or about how to support any of the AAG's many new initiatives, please contact Doug Richardson or Rachel Franklin at the AAG.



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