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Dear Lewis & Clark Undergraduates,

I write to invite you to become part of 100 Projects for Peace in this, the fourth year of an initiative that will provide a \$10,000 grant for Lewis & Clark College students to design and implement their own grassroots projects for peace during the summer of 2010.

The initiative is funded by Kathryn Wasserman Davis, a lifelong internationalist and philanthropist, who celebrated her 100th birthday in 2007 by donating \$1 million dollars for 100 grants stating, "I want to use my 100th birthday to help young people launch some immediate initiatives that could bring new thinking to the prospects for peace in the world." Mrs. Davis has continued 100 Projects for Peace for a fourth year. Mrs. Davis is the mother of Shelby Davis who funds the Davis United World College Scholars Program at Lewis & Clark and at 90 other liberal arts colleges in the United States.

Participation in 100 Projects for Peace is open to all Lewis & Clark undergraduates, including seniors, who will complete the projects during the summer of 2010. Groups of Lewis & Clark students, as well as individual students, may submit proposals.

Students in all disciplines may apply for the grant. In 2007 four L&C students majoring in environmental studies used the grant to fund a project titled "Intimate Violence and Visions for Peace" at a women's clinic in rural Nicaragua. In 2008 four students—all with different majors—were awarded the grant for a project titled "Cultivating Peace: Empowering the Orphaned Children of Criamar in Ceilandia, Brazil." This past year Katie Walter used her major in international affairs and built upon her experiences in Lewis & Clark's overseas program to India to fund a project titled "Crafting Peace—An Artisans' Collective in Vrindavan, India."

I strongly support the 100 Projects for Peace initiative. I feel it is vitally important for you, our students, to use the knowledge and skills you have gained at Lewis & Clark to make a significant contribution to humanity. With this in mind, I would like to show my support for this project by offering up to \$2,500 from the President's discretionary funds to defray any necessary travel or other unmet incidental costs that may be incurred by the winning proposal.

For more information, view the 100 Projects for Peace website by going to the "search" field on any Lewis & Clark webpage and typing in "100."

Sincerely,



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Interim President

