Dear Supporters and Friends of NASDAD,

This year marks the 70th birthday of NASDAD. As the generation of NASDAD members who were directly inspired by our founding fathers move off the scene of action, it is imperative that a new generation of young, energetic, enthusiastic dental professionals take up the work so ably started by those with the vision of world-wide dental missions and the education of dental professionals in a Christ-centered institution. With this in mind NASDAD is moving forward with involving recent dental and dental hygiene graduates and current students in an active role in NASDAD.

At the 2012 annual convention in San Francisco we had approximately 30 students participating in our meetings with music and reports of their service learning mission experience. Landon Libby, DDS, a 2011 graduate of Loma Linda University School of Dentistry, will be inducted on October 26 as NASDAD President for the 2013-2015 term. Fellowship with students adds a much needed and welcome addition to our annual meeting. This year the convention will be held near Loma Linda at Omni Rancho Las Palmas in Rancho Mirage, CA. to make student participation easier.

With this in mind the NASDAD Board has voted to solicit funds outside of our operating budget to assist students with the cost of participation in the gathering. We have set a goal of at least $15,000 for this activity. As you complete your convention registration form please include an amount on the bottom line in support of the future of NASDAD. If you are unable to attend, would you consider giving a portion of what you save by not attending to this endeavor by matching my $500 support? Please send your donation to NASDAD and mark it Student Convention Support.

Thank you very much and I hope to see you from October 24-26 in Rancho Mirage, California!

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