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Dear President Spina:

The University of Dayton Alumni Association Board of Directors joins the Board of Trustees and Marianists in full support of the decision to discontinue financial and administrative resources from the Dayton to Daytona annual spring trip.

Over the past several years, due to the nature of the trip's activities, the university's financial and legal involvement has increased, and this puts the institution and the reputation of our UD degrees at risk. Furthermore, the trip's activities do not fully represent how we - as an alumni leadership board - want to reflect a sense of community.

Although this decision is not intended to put a halt to this activity, which has become a tradition for many students and recent grads, the Alumni Association Board of Directors supports the decision to cease the university's staff and other support in the planning, promotion and execution of the event. We look forward to working together with students and staff to implement new traditions that align with the Alumni Association's mission to foster lifelong involvement of alumni with the University.



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