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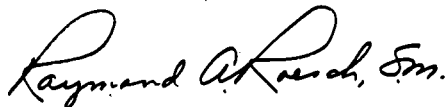
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PRESIDENT'S FOREWORD

So many pleasant emotions are connected with publication of this first issue of the Law Review. Perhaps foremost is pride in the rapid progress of the Law School since its rebirth in August of 1974. There were some who predicted at that time that history would repeat itself: as the original Law School was forced to close during the Great Depression, so might this venture fail in the face of unprecedented inflationary economic conditions. Happily, the pessimists have so far proven incorrect. And while the challenges inherent in every new beginning have not been absent from this one, the publication before me represents only encouragement. To be able to have in one's hand, less than two years after the Law School's doors reopened, physical proof that the University of Dayton is once again generating high-calibre legal education, is a source of satisfaction such as is seldom enjoyed.

Inseparable from this feeling of justifiable pride is one of gratitude. Without the generous commitment of the surrounding legal and civic community, the law school would still be a fading memory rather than a vigorous reality. I am confident that the editors of the Law Review share my wish that this issue, directed solely to the Miami Valley area, will be of benefit to the local practitioner in a different and hopefully significant way to supplement his current informational sources.

Finally, one cannot suppress a feeling of respect for the charter class itself, which, aided by faculty support, is directly responsible for the Law Review's realization. It is clear from this issue that their understandable desire for speed did not triumph over concern for quality, for the standards of the first Law Review pose a challenge for subsequent editors. Judging from this volume, it is a standard I can predict will be the criterion of future issues.



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