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University of Dayton President Eric F. Spina has joined a coalition of governors, states, cities, corporations and other university presidents in pledging that the University will continue to support action to meet the Paris Agreement.

"We share the goals of the Paris Agreement to fight climate change with science, innovation and leadership," Spina said. "Furthermore, in alignment with Pope Francis and our Catholic, Marianist commitment to the common good, we recognize that environmental stewardship is a social justice issue, and that failure to act on climate change disproportionately affects the poor and disadvantaged throughout the world."

University of Dayton students are deeply concerned about caring for the environment and the world's most vulnerable people, and faculty and staff are passionate about their relevant research, Spina said.

"This generation recognizes environmental stewardship is a social justice issue that extends beyond reducing greenhouse gases to building sustainable communities. In labs across campus, they're

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More than 1,000 organizations have joined [the We Are Still In initiative](#).

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