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Thomas J. Banet Jr. One of Ten Selected for Board of Trustees

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DAYTON, Ohio, February 26, 1971 --- Thomas J. Banet Jr., a junior in mathematics at the University of Dayton, is one of the first ten students to be selected to a committee of the University's new Board of Trustees, H. Talbott Mead, Board chairman, announced today. Banet, who is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas J. Banet, Sr., 1885 Eastwood Avenue, New Albany, Indiana, will serve on the Objectives & Purposes Committee.

Appointment of students and faculty to committees of the Board of Trustees represents the second step in the change of governance at the 121-year-old Roman Catholic university. The school, last November, announced a change to a predominantly lay Board of Trustees with the first layman, Mr. Mead, President of the Mead Investment Company, Dayton, serving as chairman. The new Board consists of 19 laymen and five religious from the Society of Mary, which founded the university in 1850.

The six Board Committees are Objectives & Purposes, Finance, Academic Policies & Programs, Student Affairs, Facilities & Development, and Committee on Trustees. The groups serve in an advisory capacity to the Board and are authorized to conduct studies on matters requiring the attention or action of the Board. Matters may be referred to the committees by the Chairman of the Board, the President of the University, or may be originated within the committee in its area of activity.

Banet's appointment is another in a line of honors given to the Indiana junior in the past year. He is currently Vice President of the Academic Senate, highest academic body on the campus, and is on a General Motors Scholarship. He also has initiated and team-taught a freshman honors seminar, "Developing Value System in Education," and a calculus program in the Mathematics Department.

He carries a 3.4 accumulative academic point average out of a possible 4.0 and plans to attend graduate school at Stanford or North Carolina in Systems Analysis.

Tom is a 1968 graduate of Providence High School, Clarksville, Indiana.