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## EDITOR'S NOTE

### PROVIDENCE COLLEGE CENTENNIAL

I am delighted to dedicate this special issue of *INTI* to celebrate Providence College's 100th Anniversary.

To observe this historic event I invited Prof. Richard Grace, Rev. John Vidmar, O.P., Rev. David T. Orique, O.P., and Prof. José Cárdenas Bunsen to collaborate in this issue.

In his article on the history of Providence College, Prof. Richard Grace highlights some of the most important events in the College's one hundred years. Rev. John Vidmar, O.P., studies the founding and the early history of the Province of St. Joseph. Rev. David Orique, O.P., and Prof. José Cárdenas Bunsen research the work of Fray Bartolomé de Las Casas, O.P., the illustrious 16th Century Dominican friar, Spanish historian, and social reformer. Fr. Las Casas was the first resident Bishop of Chiapas, Mexico, and the first officially appointed "Protector of the Indians" of the New World.

Providence College has been *INTI's* home for 40 continuous years. I wish to take this opportunity to express my deepest gratitude to the Providence College Community. In particular, I would like to honor the following Presidents, Academic Vice Presidents, members of the administration, faculty, staff, and all my colleagues, for their invaluable support, collaboration, and encouragement throughout the years:

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