## American University of Beirut Office of the President



June 30, 2015

## Dear Members of the AUB Community,

I am very pleased to report that AUB has achieved a record-breaking year in fundraising. As of the end of this fiscal year, \$46,706,721 in donations have been received in support of diverse university priorities, including teaching, research, financial aid, AUBMC, and campus enhancements. A significant percentage of the income has come as endowment, helping to give the university long-term financial security. The previous record was set last year when \$38,117,000 was raised. This achievement is especially significant when one considers the challenges and uncertainties facing our turbulent and troubled region.

Our burgeoning success is the result of our ongoing commitment to advancement, together with the essential partnership and close coordination that has grown up among the advancement staff, trustees, university executive team, and our academic and administrative units.

I take great pleasure in congratulating the Office of University Advancement and specifically our development staff on this milestone. I also want to express appreciation to all who participate, directly and indirectly, in support of our work in fundraising, which is essential to helping the university diversify its sources of income. This new record in development presages great promise for the public launch of our very ambitious fundraising campaign, planned for the sesquicentennial year in 2016.

With my best wishes,

Peter Dorman President