Hillsdale College Names Van Andel Graduate School of Statesmanship

Hillsdale, MI—Hillsdale College has announced the naming of its Graduate School of Statesmanship for Steve Van Andel, a 1978 Hillsdale graduate and chairman of Amway, who recently provided a lead gift to establish an endowment for graduate scholarships and graduate school operations.

“Steve Van Andel has an outstanding record of principled service in business, in life, and in his work with the College,” said Hillsdale President Larry P. Arnn. “It is an honor and privilege to have his family name attached to our graduate school.”

“As an alumnus of Hillsdale College, it has given me great pleasure and satisfaction to see the Graduate School take shape,” said Mr. Van Andel, who also serves on the College’s Board of Trustees. “I’ve always admired the philosophy of this fine institution, and I’m happy to partner with Hillsdale to further the college’s long-standing mission of education.”

Hillsdale College launched the Graduate School of Statesmanship in 2012. Offering both an M.A. and a Ph.D. in Politics, its purpose is to revive the language of American constitutionalism and to lay the groundwork for restoring the Constitution’s authority in government.

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Hillsdale College, founded in 1844, has built a national reputation through its maintenance of a classical core curriculum and its principled refusal to accept federal or state taxpayer subsidies. It also conducts an outreach effort promoting civil and religious liberty, including a free monthly speech digest, Imprimis, with a current circulation of over 2.6 million.

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