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‘Enough is Enough’

MU officials remember Sandy Hook victims during memorial service.



Chancellor Brady J. Deaton and wife Anne gathered with members of the Mizzou community Dec. 17, 2012, to honor the memory of the children and staff of Sandy Hook Elementary.

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Chancellor Brady J. Deaton echoed sentiments around the nation when he declared, “Enough is enough” at a Dec. 17, 2012, gathering for the victims of the Sandy Hook Elementary School shooting. About 250 Mizzou faculty, staff, students and community members convened at the north steps of Jesse Hall where Deaton offered sympathy and solidarity to the families of the 20 children and six staff who were killed Dec. 14 in the second-deadliest school shooting in U.S. history. Deaton asked Charles Allen, a cap coordinator at the University of Missouri Research Reactor Center and former Newtown, Conn., resident who attended the memorial service, to send a message home:

“Please convey our sympathy, concern, abject horror and total commitment to doing so much better with our society, with our educational system and everything we do,” Deaton said.



The Deatons placed a wreath on the values monument on

“We send the simple message, one of deep concern, deep compassion, common identification as part of the human family and unyielding hopes for the future.”

the north side of the Columns as the Switzler Hall bell rang in memory of the 26 victims. Anne Deaton’s scarf is green and white, symbolic of the colors of the elementary school.

Deaton and his wife, Anne, led a processional from the north porch of Jesse Hall to the north side of the Columns on Francis Quadrangle and laid a wreath at the values monument to commemorate the victims. The Switzler Hall bell tolled 26 times, once for each of the 26 victims at Sandy Hook.

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