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To SUNY Poly Faculty, Staff, and Students:

I am proud to provide you with two documents that highlight a number of SUNY Poly's academic and research achievements, as well as provide an outline of goals for Academic Year (AY) 2018/2019 so that SUNY Poly can maximize its capabilities and positive impact to surpass the expectations of our students, faculty, staff, and other stakeholders.

The "2017-2018 Annual Report" and "Year-In-Review and AY 2018/2019 Goals" documents are a testament to the work you do each day as we advance this institution toward an even brighter future. Notably, the AY 2018/2019 goals are the direct result of the numerous meetings that I have had with faculty, students, staff, shared governance leaders, and external stakeholders.

I encourage you to review the annual report, which provides a snapshot of SUNY Poly's high academic rankings, growing student body and enhanced student life, research accomplishments, faculty achievements, economic engagement activities, and institution-wide efforts to promote diversity, inclusion, and equity, among other initiatives. It also provides updates from each SUNY Poly college, showcasing the great strides that continue to be made to meet the needs of our students as we prepare them for success in this fast-changing, complex world.

The Year-In-Review and AY 2018/2019 Goals document sets forth initial guiding objectives for our institution, which were shaped by the engaging and thoughtful conversations that took place at the many meetings I have had with faculty, staff, and students. From formulating a *Framework for a Sustainable Future, Exploring Innovative Academic Programs*, and *Building Research and Research Administration Infrastructure to Cultivating a Transparent, Inclusive, and Empowering Culture* and *Pursuing a Plan for Long-Term Fiscal Sustainability*, these goals will help crystallize positive discussions and meaningful actions in the near-term and provide a structure as we launch a process to formulate a *Framework for a Sustainable Future* in the coming weeks.

I am grateful for your candid input and valuable insights and look forward to our collective, steadfast effort as we strive together to reach new heights.

Sincerely,

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