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Dear Colleagues:

I write to request your service as a member of the Steering Committee for our recently announced campus strategic planning effort, which I have titled "To Boldly Go."

My specific request of you, as a member of the steering committee, is to assist me in energizing and organizing our entire community - faculty, students, staff and supporters everywhere - to come together and contribute creative and bold ideas that will propel us to accomplish things we've only dreamed of in the past.

While it may be tempting to focus on the immediate needs that are already very much on our minds, or on the very distant future, which is fascinating to contemplate but subject to change, such a focus won't propel us to the next level of excellence. I'd like to have our goal centered on a ten-year plan.

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Your role as a member of the Steering Committee will be to help me in reaching out to every constituency interested in the future of UC Davis to ensure that opportunities for meaningful input are available to all, and to help organize the input received into a document that captures the full diversity of the advice and opinion that is offered. Faculty Advisor to the Chancellor Ken Burtis will co-chair the steering committee with me, and will work closely with all of you in supporting your efforts to seek input from the community. An important early role for the committee will be to help determine the best approaches for seeking input from each community, which may vary for different groups.

It is my expectation that the committee will collect input over the next four months, and then draft its report during March and April. After review, the final document will serve as a critical resource as we begin implementing our plans for the coming decade.

Thank you very much for your willingness to serve the campus in this important effort, and for sharing my aspirations for the future of UC Davis.

Sincerely,

Gary S. May Chancellor

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