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TO:

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FROM:

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SUBJECT:

Temporary Emergency Policy FSH 6990, COVID-19 Response

In light of the rapidly changing environment surrounding the COVID-19 virus and its spread, I see a need for the University to be able to move quickly to address substantive changes in operations, in order to best protect our University community. Therefore, pursuant to FSH 1460 C-3, I hereby adopt FSH 6990 COVID-19 Virus Emergency Response Policy as attached, effective immediately as of the date of my signature. This temporary emergency policy will remain in effect for a term of 180 days unless withdrawn by me prior to the end of the term.

As an example, we had an important meeting with medical and public health professionals this afternoon that has provided additional clarity on appropriate early action. It is my sense that we will go to holistic virtual operations as a campus, with exceptions for essential personnel very soon. We will need to discuss what that means and how we will proceed in the coming week. Thank you for your patience as we are navigate these uncharted waters.

FSH 6990 COVID-19 VIRUS EMERGENCY RESPONSE POLICY (Temporary Emergency Policy per FSH 1640 C-3)

In matters relating to the University's response to the COVID-19 Pandemic, university administrators at the Vice-President or equivalent level may implement temporary administrative actions, processes and procedures which may be inconsistent with existing policy, to the extent necessary to implement or enforce elements of the University's response. Any such administrative action, process or procedure must be approved by the President, or the President's designee, and published on the University's COVID-19 Web Page with a notice alerting the University Community to the policy change published in the Register as soon as reasonably practicable. Any such action, process or procedure may remain in effect only so long as this temporary emergency policy (COVIC-19 Response) remains in effect.