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MEMORANDUM

TO: Montgomery College Colleagues

FROM: Dr. DeRionne P. Pollard, President

SUBJECT: Presidential Priorities for Academic Year

I find it hard to believe that it has been just over a year since I joined Montgomery College as president. During this time, I have been touched by your welcoming spirit and your support in the development of innovative and new opportunities for the College.

In October of 2010, I shared my first set of presidential priorities with the College community to provide a roadmap for the activities and initiatives of the Office of the President. Among my priorities were the creation of a new governance model and new mission/vision/values statements for our institution, filling key senior leadership positions, and launching a strategic planning process.

As the 2010–2011 academic year progressed, I regularly updated my presidential web page with my progress. While I successfully completed many of my priorities, there remain some longer-term ones that have since become the cornerstone of my presidential priorities for this academic year.

With an eye to the future, I have identified a new set of presidential priorities for the current academic year, which I am sharing with you and the Board of Trustees. My interactions with the College community—students, faculty, staff, and community members—have helped shape the direction of my work for the upcoming year. I developed the priorities by considering many factors, including input from the Board of Trustees, discussions at the campuses, Middle States accreditation requirements, discipline and departmental reviews, and College research data.

I encourage you to visit my presidential web page to personally review my priorities. The page is located at www.montgomerycollege.edu/president.

Thank you for everything you do to support our collective efforts to achieve these priorities and, most importantly, to empower our students to change their lives.