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Dear Colleagues,

Thank you very much for your service on the EDGE (Enhancing Diversity, Guiding Excellence) Council last year. Your final report is thorough and helpful as we think about planning for this academic year.

We are writing to request your continued service as members of the Illinois EDGE Council. We hope you will continue to assist by providing overall guidance on the university's diversity and inclusion efforts, with a specific focus on the following.

1. Reviewing and advising us on the university's progress in meeting its diversity and inclusion goals.
2. Offering recommendations on the campus's diversity and inclusion strategies, policies, procedures and programs.
3. Advising and monitoring the efforts of the Chancellor and Provost diversity committees, including DRIVE, CCAA, CORE, GEC and the LGBTQ Concerns Committee. At the end of the AY16-17 year, we will request your advice on setting next year's agendas and drafting charges for these committees.

Please work collaboratively with Associate Chancellor for Diversity Assata Zerai, who has overall campus responsibility for overseeing our diversity initiatives.

Thank you in advance for your service on this important Council. We look forward to learning about your accomplishments in the coming year. And as a prelude to this year's activities, you are invited to attend the upcoming annual Diversity Planning Summit in the Illini Union, Room A on September 9, from 9:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.

Sincerely,

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Interim Chancellor

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