

OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

November 17, 2016

Dear Kingsborough Donor:

We are writing today to address recent news, as reported by the New York Times and other media outlets, of alleged unethical activity on the part of a CUNY college president, involving the misappropriation of foundation funds. We are also writing to assure you that the Kingsborough Community College has, and will continue to, uphold sound policies, maintain rigorous oversight and adhere to best practices for all activities pertaining to our college's Foundation.

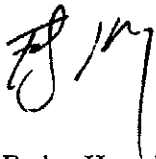
In the wake of these allegations, CUNY has committed to more closely examine how its various institutions conduct themselves in relation to their affiliate foundations. The CUNY Board of Trustees has instructed Kingsborough Community College, along with all other CUNY institutions, to partake in a rigorous review of their respective college Foundations. Kingsborough welcomes this opportunity and will participate fully in this helpful process.

As one of Kingsborough's most generous donors, you have placed your hard-earned faith in us as a worthy steward of your philanthropy. Kingsborough does not take your trust lightly, and we honor it daily through an unflagging commitment to integrity and transparency in all that we do. While the recent news concerning another CUNY institution is certainly unsettling, it is not in any way reflective of CUNY as a whole, let alone Kingsborough Community College.

Without equivocation, I pledge to you that Kingsborough will always hold itself to the highest standards of ethics and practices. We value your generosity, but more than that, we value your enduring trust and belief in the Kingsborough promise. If you have any questions or would like to discuss this further, I welcome you to contact me directly at 718.368.5109 or Farley.Herzek@kbcc.cuny.edu.

Thank you for all that you have done, and continue to do, to make Kingsborough Community College the outstanding institution it is today.

Sincerely,



Farley Herzek
President



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