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**Re: Title IX Steering Committee**

Dear Colleagues:

In 2015, I established a Title IX Steering Committee to provide ongoing strategic oversight and leadership for the University's work on sexual assault prevention and response. In December 2017, I updated the committee's charter to reflect its ongoing mission and expanded its oversight role to encompass all areas of Title IX including athletics, STEM, those who identify as LBGTOQ, and pregnant and parenting faculty, staff and students. That charter is [attached](#).

Since updating the charter, local, regional and national events have shone an even brighter light on the impact of sexual harassment, sexual assault, gender discrimination, and other forms of sex-based discrimination. It is imperative that the University continues to be part of these

discussions and contributes to solutions that will result in a safer, more inclusive community for all of us.

I look forward to your ongoing work regarding the Title IX strategic priorities, recommendations for action, and continuing implementation and oversight of the institutional policies, practices, and processes that enable us to respond effectively to incidents of harassment and violence and to foster an environment that calls on every member of the community to be part of intervening in and preventing these harmful behaviors. Working together, we have a tremendous opportunity to continue advancing this important work.

Best regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Ana Maria Canino". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style with a large initial 'A' and 'M'.