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Colleagues:

I write with important information regarding transitions in leadership within the Division of Student Affairs. As many of you know, VP Jennifer Borrero has tendered her resignation, effective August 14. I wish to thank Jennifer, who served the College first as Vice President for Student and Enrollment Services (2015 through 2019), and then as Vice President for Student Affairs and Alumni Engagement from 2019 through the present. Jennifer has been with CUNY for over 20 years, having worked as Assistant Director and then Director of the Office of Compliance and Diversity at Brooklyn College from 1998 through 2010, and then as University Dean of Recruitment and Diversity at the Central Office from 2010 through 2015, prior to joining the CSI family. Jennifer has been a strong, dedicated leader and I will miss her wise counsel, frank demeanor, and fierce advocacy for her staff and for our students. I hope you will join me in wishing Jennifer and her family well as they embark on their new journey to North Carolina, where they will be closer to family. She has left this campus a better place than when she arrived and her impact and legacy will be hard to duplicate and impossible to forget. Thank you, Jennifer!

I wish to welcome Mr. Michel Hodge to the Dolphin family as the Interim Vice President for Student Affairs and Strategic Initiatives. Michel is a Student Affairs and Enrollment Management professional dedicated to increasing student success by supporting initiatives that increase retention and graduation rates. During his CUNY administrative career, he has served as York College's Executive Director of Enrollment Management and Queensborough Community College's VP for Student Affairs and Enrollment Management. He is currently VP of Enrollment Management and Student Affairs at City Tech, a position he has held since 2018.

Since joining CUNY in 2005, Michel has been developing students and staff to be the leaders of tomorrow... who lead with integrity and compassion and are focused on positive outcomes. He is passionate about planning and conducting professional development and programs for mid-level staff and college students on leadership, holistic student supports, customer service, and operational proficiency. In addition, he is a dependable organizational representative who leads with empathy and who has a reputation for working fairly with internal and external constituents.

VP Hodge holds a Bachelor of Science degree in Aviation Management, a Master of Science degree in Organizational Leadership, and a Master of Arts degree in Theology. He is currently pursuing a Doctor of Education degree in Executive Leadership with a research concentration in executive leadership and institutional adaptation in times of crisis. Please join me in welcoming Michel to CSI!

My best, TGL

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