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Dear Campus Community,

Today, I am writing to announce the creation of a Title IX Student Advisory Task Force. Working in collaboration with the Equal Opportunity Office, the Dean of Students Office, and the Advocacy, Inclusion and Support Programs within Student Life, the task force will provide input and guidance regarding policies, procedures and education efforts related to sexual misconduct.

The taskforce will focus on four main areas:

- Offering student input and perspectives on policy, procedures, programming, education and communication efforts related to sexual misconduct
- Serving as liaison between students and the administration on matters related to Title IX
- Helping to identify emerging issues and trends
- Raising awareness about ongoing efforts to confront sexual misconduct on campus

Associate Vice Chancellor for Equal Opportunity and Title IX Coordinator Kerri Tillett will lead the task force. The names of student appointees are listed on the Equal Opportunity Office website.

The formation of the task force is part of our ongoing effort to address sexual misconduct, which includes a thorough, seven-year review of reports of sexual misconduct being conducted by Comprehensive Investigations and Consulting (CIC) that I announced earlier this month. The Student Advisory Task Force will provide invaluable insight as we work to make our policies and procedures as impactful as possible.

Sincerely,

Chancellor Kumble Subbaswamy

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