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Robert L. Barchi, President

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Ms. Mary Mickelsen
University Senate
Rutgers, The State University of New Jersey
Liberty Plaza, Suite 1200
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Dear Ms. Mickelsen:

I am writing in response to the University Senate's April 2018 report and recommendations on Charge S-1714, Procedures for Adjudicating Academic Integrity Policy Infractions. I thank the members of the Senate's Academic Standards, Regulations, and Admissions Committee for their work on this issue.

Although I applaud the discussions that led to this recommendation, I disagree with your conclusion that a change in structure is necessary for the Offices of Student Conduct. The report presents little evidence to justify its primary conclusion that the work of adjudicating the Academic Integrity Policy should be separate from the Offices of Student Conduct and result in the creation of stand-alone centers reporting to Academic Affairs on each campus. As it stands, academic integrity issues already involve collaboration among Student Affairs, Academic Affairs and academic departments. I have discussed your report with the chancellors and asked them to ensure that these collaborative relationships continue.

I appreciate the time and attention the Senate committee has devoted to these important issues.

Sincerely,

Robert Barchi

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