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The future is bright! No, I have not entered my dotage, and I am not a Pollyanna. I am in charge of all (or most) of my faculties, and I am a realist. However, I start with that announcement because it is the message that all of us can honestly proclaim when we think about the potential of our student-athletes. Forces and tumults outside of their control have shaken their world. Yet they are resilient, and they are our beacon that all will be well. They are dedicated to their sports and their career goals; they do exceedingly well in the classroom, with graduation rates well ahead of the aggregate student body. Their well-being is my primary concern in this time of transition. Please join me (and the Committee on Academic Performance) in letting them know how proud we are that they represent to the world the best qualities of our whole student population--in their tenacity, vision, and promise.

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