



Announcement from President Hogan

May 12, 2010

Dear Members of the University Community,

I write to you today to let you know that I've decided to accept an appointment as president of the University of Illinois. My resignation will become effective June 30 and I'll assume my new position in Illinois in July.

This was a very unexpected development in my life, and was not an easy decision to make. I've made many lifelong friends at UConn. I treasure the interactions I've had with each of you, and will forever be impressed by the professionalism, creativity, and compassion that characterizes the students, faculty, staff and friends of our University.

When I started here about three years ago, I was presented with a slate of challenges that needed to be addressed: complete our Academic Plan, deal with enormous financial problems, launch a new capital campaign, align our resources with our academic priorities and find a path forward for our fiscally troubled health center. We've risen to these challenges. We are stronger now than ever before and our strength is due to the efforts of each of you, who care so deeply about this great University, as well as to the guidance of an outstanding team of senior administrators.

I'm grateful for your partnership and the partnership of my senior administrators, especially the good work of Provost Peter Nicholls who has taken a lead role in implementing many of our successful initiatives, including the substantial growth of our research portfolio, the great expansion of our honors program, and the strategic reallocation of resources.

I know that UConn has a very bright future ahead and that you will continue to strive toward the goal of becoming one of the nation's top-20 public research universities. I will miss all of you and will always think of you as my colleagues, my students and my friends.

Sincerely,

Mike

Michael J. Hogan

President

University of Connecticut