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Richard Novak Association of Governing Boards of Universities and Colleges One Dupont Circle, Suite 400 Washington, D.C. 20036

Dear Mr. Novak:

It was a pleasure to meet with you on March 26 to discuss the Association of Governing Boards' leadership summit in Mississippi. I am looking forward to working with you on this exciting initiative that will lead to a public agenda for higher education in Mississippi. The leadership summit promises to enhance and build upon the contributions of Mississippi's institutions of higher learning to our state and the quality of life of our citizens.

Thank you again for your service and commitment to this endeavor.

Very truly yours,

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Cc: Dr. Thomas Layzell