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To Stevens Students, Faculty and Staff:

Greetings, colleagues and friends across the Stevens community.

The <u>entire Stevens community</u> is overjoyed that our men's volleyball team won the NCAA Division III national championship on April 30 for the second time in Stevens' history. The team represented our university with character, grit and determination and made us immensely proud. Congratulations to the team, the players, the coaching staff and the entire organization. I am very impressed by the performance of our champions on and off the court. GO DUCKS!

Our <u>2023 Innovation Expo</u> on April 28 showcased more than 200 projects demonstrating our students' ingenuity, teamwork, creativity and entrepreneurship. From a soil-friendlier drill for farmers, to research into the impact of COVID-19 on equities and bonds, to AI-enhanced maritime security — which was awarded top prize at the Ansary Entrepreneurship Competition — the remarkable devices, services and works of art on display profoundly demonstrated our guiding principle, *Inspired by Humanity, Powered by Technology*™.

I am looking forward to celebrating the Class of 2023 with the Stevens community at our May 24 <u>Commencement ceremonies</u> honoring our graduates. I hope that you will join me in person or via livestream on Stevens Ducks TV.

Even as we enjoy the beauty of spring, we look ahead to welcoming an impressive and diverse new cohort of undergraduate and graduate students this fall. Please mark Oct. 13-14, 2023, on your calendars for our second-annual Fall Festival — a multi-day community celebration for alumni, students, families, faculty and staff.

As always, I encourage you to stay informed on university news by subscribing to our social channels — <u>Facebook</u>, <u>Instagram</u>, <u>LinkedIn</u>, <u>Twitter</u> and <u>YouTube</u> — visiting <u>Stevens News</u> and reading <u>the latest issue of </u><u>The Stevens Indicator</u>, hot off "the presses!"

On a final note, among this year's nominees for the New Jersey Hall of Fame Class of 2023 is our university's eponymous Col. John Stevens III, the father of "America's First Family of Inventors." The Stevens community is grateful for the legacy of innovation and entrepreneurship represented

in this nomination. ADP Chairman Emeritus Josh Weston, who received an honorary doctorate from Stevens in 1996 and is a staunch supporter of Stevens, is also nominated for the 2023 New Jersey Hall of Fame. I hope you will consider casting your vote for Col. John Stevens and Josh Weston using this online ballot.

Per aspera ad astra,

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President