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To the Stevens Community,

It is with immense sadness that I write to inform you of the untimely passing of a dear colleague, Mr. Mark Samolewicz, Vice President for Human Resources, on December 31, 2015.

A 25-year veteran of Stevens, Mark held a number of leadership positions in both the Division of Finance and the Division of Human Resources. He joined Stevens as Director of Finance in 1990 and was elevated to Assistant Vice President for Administration and Finance in 1999, a position he held until 2001. He then served as Vice President of Finance from 2001 to 2004. In 2004, Mark accepted the position of Vice President for Human Resources, where he served for 12 years.

Mark was a member of the President's Cabinet and led and served on a number of important committees at Stevens, including the Benefits Committee and the Title IX Committee. He served as Secretary to the Board of Trustees for 12 years.

A Certified Public Accountant (CPA), Mark earned the Bachelor of Science degree in Accounting from Kean University and the Master of Management from Stevens.

A beloved member of the Stevens community, Mark will be dearly missed by all who had the honor of knowing him. He will be remembered for his gentle spirit, his compassion, his ready smile, and his commitment to the betterment of Stevens.

Mark's family has extended an invitation to the Stevens community to join in a celebration of his life on Tuesday, January 5, 2016, 6-9 p.m. at Gray's Funeral Home, 12 Springfield Ave, Cranford, NJ, and a funeral mass on Wednesday, January 6, 2016, 10 a.m., at the Church of Assumption, 113 Chiego Place in Roselle Park, NJ.

The family requests that in lieu of flowers, donations be made to the Church of Assumption in Mark's name or to the Friends of Linden Animal Shelter.

Please join me in offering the deepest sympathy and fullest measure of support to Mark's family during this painful time.

Nariman Farvardin President