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To the Stevens Community:

In 2020, Stevens Institute of Technology will celebrate the 150<sup>th</sup> anniversary of its founding. In order to engage our extended community in this momentous occasion, we are soliciting the input and participation of alumni, students, faculty and staff, and friends in the planning and execution of what will be a year-long celebration.

Please plan to join one of the following meetings to learn about the effort and to provide input:

Students:	May 3, 2018, 12 p.m.	Fielding Room, Howe, 3 <sup>rd</sup> Floor
Faculty/Staff:	May 10, 2018, 2 p.m.	Taylor Board Room, Howe, 13th Floor
Alumni:	June 2, 10:30 a.m.	Bissinger Room, Howe, 4th Floor

We will plan a series of activities designed to achieve a number of objectives:

- Build awareness of and pride about Stevens' history and promising future
- Engage alumni, students, faculty, and staff to strengthen the spirit of community and commitment to advancing the institution
- Enhance awareness of key external constituencies
- Attract media attention

Once defined, the series of events that comprise the 150<sup>th</sup> anniversary celebration will be held during the 2020-21 academic year. Candidate activities under consideration include:

- A 150<sup>th</sup> celebration event similar to Stevens Awards Gala
- A prestigious academic seminar(s) or conference
- A Stevens Family Reunion
- A special 150<sup>th</sup> anniversary exhibit related to Stevens' history
- Lighting of the Empire State Building
- Special 150<sup>th</sup> apparel
- Special 150<sup>th</sup> alumni events
- Collaboration with partner organizations to amplify outreach/awareness
- Student and alumni-focused activities

We welcome your thoughts on these or other possible activities to include in our plans. An Implementation Steering Committee is being formed to gather input and oversee the implementation of the various events that will comprise our year-long celebration.

I look forward to receiving your suggestions by May 15, 2018 via a special email address that has been set up for this effort: <u>150thAnniversary@stevens.edu</u>, or seeing you at an upcoming meeting.

Per aspera ad astra,

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