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To the College of DuPage Board of Trustees:

For the past six years, I have had the opportunity to guide the College of DuPage through a transformational period. The achievements of College employees during this period, as detailed in the attached list of outcomes, has brought the College to where it is today. College of DuPage is the flagship community college in Illinois and among the most distinguished in the country.

In March 2016, I will be approaching my 72<sup>nd</sup> birthday and will conclude 35 years of service as a college president. In addition, I will have been President of College of DuPage for twice as long as I had initially planned.

More than 6 months ago, I informed the Board Chair of my increasing interest in retiring. With age comes the inevitable reality that time is precious. During the Christmas holidays, I took time to look ahead and define my future. I concluded the time was at hand to make a life decision. I herein notify the Board of Trustees, I will retire as President of College of DuPage at the close of business on March 31, 2016.

Between now and then I will continue to help ensure our College remains well positioned for the future. We will continue to pursue with vigor our ambitious agenda as detailed in the Board approved Strategic Long Range Plan. Our Vision is clear and our commitment to excellence and service deeply embedded in the fabric of our institution.

There is much I will miss. None more than the hundreds of talented and dedicated employees in ALL areas of our College. It is their commitment that has created what artists often refer to as a masterwork. It has been and always will be our employees who generate the outcomes which impact the lives of others. I feel privileged to have been part of the current family that made educational opportunity available to students and served our community with excellence.

Sincerely

Robert Breuder

cc: Senior Management Team, College Community, Foundation Board