

February 6, 2009

Mr. Rodney A. Orme Chair, University Assembly 109 Day Hall Cornell University CAMPUS

Dear Rodney:

I am pleased to approve University Assembly Resolution 2, establishing the University Sustainability Committee, and Resolution 3, specifying term limits for the Family Services and Childcare Services Committees. I commend the Assembly for taking a leading role in advocacy for sustainable practices, and I look forward to the opportunities for fresh perspectives and novel ideas that the new committee promises. I also appreciate the Assembly's action to clarify the terms of its committee members for the Family Services and Childcare Services Committees.

I have reviewed Resolution 4, appointing additional members to the University Hearing and Review Boards, and I do not believe it requires my approval although I am glad to learn the Assembly was able to fill all remaining student vacancies.

I thank you and your fellow representatives in the University Assembly for your hard and excellent work on behalf of the Cornell community.

Best regards,

David J. Skorton

c: Mary G. Opperman, Vice-President, Human Resources
Thomas W. Bruce, Vice-President, Communications
Lynette Chappell-Williams, Director, OWDELQ
Robert Bland, Director, Environmental Compliance Office
Frank DiSalvo, Director, Center for a Sustainable Future
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