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**Letter from School of Business to Board of Governors:**

November 29, 2011

Dr. Ralph Izzo  
Chair, Rutgers University Board of Governors  
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Dr. Richard L. McCormick, President  
Rutgers, The State University of New Jersey  
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Dear Chairman Izzo and President McCormick,

Our Camden colleagues from the Faculty of Arts & Sciences shared a copy of your recent response to their letter regarding possible restructuring of higher education within the state of New Jersey. We are extremely pleased to see that you view the Camden campus as essential to the mission of Rutgers University and are committed to its support and strengthening as part of Rutgers, The State University of New Jersey.

It's an exciting time to be a member of the School of Business Faculty and be part of the fabric of Rutgers. Faculty who are at the top of their respective fields as academic scholars, journal editors, fellows in professional organizations, Fulbright recipients, and national and regional teaching and research award achievers have joined and remained with us because of our link to Rutgers, which continues to benefit our diverse student body. Our internationally known and respected dean and faculty have been able to build relationships with universities in South Korea, India, Brazil, and South Africa as part of Rutgers. Our faculty are evaluated using the same high standards as others throughout the university and thrive in such an environment. Maintaining this relationship is vital for our growth. We want to continue along a path which is consistent with the university's core mission, which we all share as a proud part of Rutgers.

As a part of Rutgers - The State University of New Jersey, the community of scholars in the School of Business is actively involved in delivering a premier public research university education to South Jersey. Students and businesses in the region have benefitted from this and we intend to continue to do so. We collaborate and work well with our colleagues in the Rutgers Business School on projects such as the joint proposal to study successful inner city ventures from around the world and encourage their

introduction into both South Jersey and North Jersey urban areas (Professors Briance Mascarenhas and dt ogilvie). Our ability to chair and serve on dissertation committees for students in the Rutgers Business School and in the School of Management and Labor Relations has helped to develop scholars for future generations. An upcoming meeting sponsored by the Graduate School of Education's Special Education Program in which colleagues from the School of Business-Camden, CCAS, Rutgers-Camden Law, Graduate School of Education, SMLR, the Heldrich Center, GSAAP, among others from all of our campuses will gather to discuss common interests in the area of disability-related studies wouldn't have occurred without our links within Rutgers. Other such collaborative processes with our Rutgers colleagues serve to benefit our stakeholders around the state and enhance New Jersey higher education. The Rutgers brand, its membership in the prestigious Association of American Universities, and Land Grant status opens the doors to make all we do possible. The severing of these ties could potentially do irreparable harm to future endeavors and could put the educational interests of South Jersey citizens at risk.

In closing, we would like to reinforce our sincere appreciation for your support for our campus and programs and stress on the importance of your continued commitment to our growth and development as a key component of Rutgers University.

Sincerely,

The Faculty of the School of Business-Camden

Approved by Unanimous Vote

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