

**MEMORANDUM**

April 19, 2012

Dear FIU family:

It is with profoundly mixed emotions that I inform you that our Vice President for Engagement Dr. Divina Grossman has been selected to serve as chancellor of the University of Massachusetts Dartmouth by their Board of Trustees earlier today.

During her time at FIU, Dr. Grossman served as director and then dean of the College of Nursing from 2000 to 2006. She served as dean of the College of Nursing and Health Sciences at FIU since its creation in October 2006 until she became Vice President for Engagement in January 2010.

As dean, Dr. Grossman oversaw an era of growth for the College of Nursing and Health Sciences and established many programs and partnerships that are still in place for the benefit of our students and the community we serve.

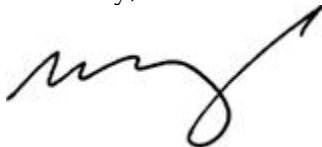
As founding Vice President for Engagement, Dr. Grossman spearheaded FIU's effort to secure the Community Engagement classification by the Carnegie Foundation for the Advancement of Teaching. Under her leadership, we established key community partnerships such as the FPL Customer Care Center and the Education Effect, a program funded by JPMorgan Chase to help foster a college-going culture at Miami Northwestern Senior High School.

I thank Dr. Grossman for the time and energy she invested in our FIU and our community and all the successes she helped us realize. Dr. Grossman, you are truly Worlds Ahead and we will miss you.

Provost Wartzok and I will move quickly to find an able replacement for Dr. Grossman.

Please join me in congratulating Dr. Grossman and wishing her great success as she takes the helm of a fine institution.

Sincerely,



Mark B. Rosenberg  
President