



MEMORANDUM

November 26, 2016

Dear FIU family,

Tonight our thoughts are with the people of Cuba and the Cuban-American community. The passing of Fidel Castro marks the beginning of the end of a most painful chapter in the lives of Cubans, our neighbors in South Florida and members of our FIU family. We know that today many people in our community and in Cuba are remembering loved ones, including their parents and grandparents, who did not live to see this day.

We join with the Cuban-American community and Cubans on the island in marking this moment in history and hope that this will serve as an opportunity to bring about change in Cuba and usher in a free society.

FIU is proud of the role it has played over the years in serving as a center for scholarship and discussion about Cuba. We will continue to do so as we move forward and make sense of recent events in Cuba. The [Steven J. Green School of International and Public Affairs](#) is taking the lead in planning roundtable discussions related to "The Cuban Transition in the Post Fidel and Donald Trump Era," focusing on impact locally, internationally and in Cuba. Please stay tuned for more information.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Mark B. Rosenberg", with a stylized flourish at the end.

Mark B. Rosenberg
President