

MEMORANDUM

TO: University Community
FROM: Mark B. Rosenberg, President
SUBJECT: Thursday, March 25, 2010
DATE: April 1, 2010

Students, staff, and our institution's first responders are to be commended for their rapid and focused efforts to help Kendall Berry during the altercation of March 25, 2010.

We know that there are many lessons from this senseless violence. We have been in contact with several institutions that have experienced similar tragedies to consider best practices and to identify new response methods.

I have asked R. Alexander Acosta, Dean of the College of Law, and former United States Attorney, to lead a review of our current emergency response alert systems. This review will then be presented to me and may offer recommendations to improve our emergency response alert system capability and capacity. To expedite this review, I ask for full cooperation with Dean Acosta so that he can complete this review by month's end.

I would also like to take this opportunity to thank you for the way each of you has reached out to respond to this tragedy as a family. We can be proud of the moving memorial service on Monday and the way the FIU family has come together in an outpouring of support for Kendall Berry's friends, teammates and family.

Thank you.