Dear Colleagues:

After 34 years of devoted and exemplary service, Vice Chancellor - Finance Eric Vermillion has informed me of his plan to retire as of July 1, 2013. Eric’s tireless dedication and advocacy on behalf of the entire UCSF enterprise has been instrumental in helping to ensure our financial health over the years.

Starting his career at UCSF in 1979 in the Campus Planning Office, Eric amassed a wealth of knowledge as he assumed a variety of responsibilities in Capital Programs, Facilities Management and ultimately Budget and Resource Planning where he held positions of increasing responsibility for over 20 years. A list of Eric’s many accomplishments and contributions to UCSF would be seemingly endless, but among them are his stewardship of UCSF’s central resources through many challenging times, business foresight and development of critical financing techniques that allowed the Mission Bay Campus to prosper, successful negotiations with the federal government and other parties in support of UCSF’s overall financial strategy, and development of Finance, Procurement and Risk Management functions that attract exceptionally capable professionals into a supportive environment that allows them to have their own valuable impact on UCSF.

His contributions are well-known within UCSF, yet they extend across the entire University of California system as well. Eric is known by all as a consummate professional and esteemed colleague whose creativity and institutional knowledge benefit all ten campuses.

Eric’s loyalty to UCSF and its mission is unsurpassed. His commitment to UCSF is one-of-a-kind and he will be missed very much. Please join me in thanking Eric for everything he has contributed to UCSF over the past 34 years and in wishing Eric all the best in his retirement.

Sincerely,

John Plotts
Senior Vice Chancellor – Finance and Administration

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