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Dear Members of the University Community,

supporting these important community-based initiatives under the Dean's leadership, the students, faculty and staff continue to be "women and men for and with others."

The annual U.S. Conference on disAbility continues to grow and the University serves as the executive hub for the Autism Collaborative Centers of Excellence, a regional initiative designed to deliver a full array of services and support for individuals with Autism Spectrum Disorder.

Under Dean Pellegrino's stewardship, the Leahy Endowment continues to grow in support of faculty and student research that focuses on pediatric disability studies. She remains grateful to the College's many donors for their continued support for the students and faculty of PCPS.

Embracing the Call to Care" is an apt description of Dean Pellegrino's service throughout her time at the University. She has written about that theme in articles in AJCU's *Connections* and used the theme to celebrate Leahy Hall's completion. Needless to say, her accomplishments and successes, and those of her students and graduates, are as boundless as her energy. I am