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KENNETH S. PITZER
PRESIDENT

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To my Colleagues on the Faculty and Staff:

It is with deep regret that I inform you of my decision to leave Rice for the Presidency of Stanford University.

The attached copy of my letter to Chairman Malcolm Lovett reviews in some detail my reasons for accepting the Stanford Presidency.

Over the past seven years it has been a great pleasure to work with you, and I feel that we have accomplished much in enhancing the breadth and depth of Rice's traditional commitment to excellence. I have every reason to believe that this progress will continue.

Both Mrs. Pitzer and I have greatly appreciated our personal association with each of you. We shall miss this association very much.

Yours very sincerely,

K. S. Pitzer

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