March 17, 2015

MEMORANDUM

TO: Academic Deans, Directors, Department Heads, Faculty, Staff and Students

FROM: Dr. Felecia M. Nave
Provost and Senior Vice President for Academic Affairs

RE: 2015 FOUNDERS’ DAY AND HONORS RECOGNITION CONVOCATION

The Annual Founders’ Day and Honors Recognition Convocation will be held in the William J. “Billy” Nicks Building (“Baby Dome”) on Wednesday, March 25, 2015. The convocation will begin promptly at 10 a.m. The theme for the occasion is “From Alta Vista to the Present: Education is the Key to Success“.

The speaker for the Convocation will be President Michael Sorrell of Paul Quinn College in Dallas, Texas. President Sorrell received his J.D. and M.A. in Public Policy from Duke University and is currently a doctoral student at the University of Pennsylvania. While in law school, he was one of the founding members of the Journal of Gender Law & Policy and served as the Vice President of the Duke Bar Association. He graduated from Oberlin College with a B.A. in Government, served as Secretary-Treasurer of his senior class, was a two-time captain of the men’s varsity basketball team, and graduated as the school’s fifth all-time leading scorer.

All students are expected to attend the assembly. Classes are to be released at 9:20 a.m. to allow students to arrive on time. Classes will resume at 1:00 p.m. All auxiliary services (i.e. bookstore, financial aid, food service, etc.) will be closed until the assembly ends. Faculty members are expected to accompany their students to the assembly. Faculty must wear full academic regalia and assemble at 9:30 a.m. on the north side of the Nicks building (Field House) where the processional will form.

Full campus wide participation is greatly appreciated!

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