Dear Colleagues,

I am pleased to announce the appointment of Professor Kimberly Mowry as chair of the department of Molecular Biology, Cell Biology and Biochemistry (MCB) of Brown University effective immediately. Professor Mowry succeeds John Sedivy, who has been on sabbatical leave during the spring semester. Please join me in thanking Professor Sedivy for his many accomplishments and fine leadership as chair.

Dr. Mowry obtained her PhD degree at Yale University, followed by postdoctoral training at Harvard University where she was a Helen Hay Whitney Fellow. Joining the Brown University faculty in 1992, she was named as a Vartan Gregorian Assistant Professor and later received the Elizabeth H. Leduc Award for Excellence in Teaching in the Life Sciences.

Her administrative responsibilities have included service as Assistant Director of the Graduate Program in Molecular Biology, Cell Biology and Biochemistry, Vice-chair of the Department of Molecular Biology, Cell Biology and Biochemistry and Director of the predoctoral NIGMS training grant in Molecular and Cell Biology and Biochemistry. Dr. Mowry’s NIH-funded research program is focused on understanding how mRNAs are transported within the cell cytoplasm to form the basis for cellular and embryonic polarity.

I am confident that Professor Mowry will bring energy, vision and dedication to further strengthen the MCB department. Please join me in congratulating her on this new appointment.

Sincerely,

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