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Michael Bruno as the new Vice Chancellor for Research for Manoa

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Aloha,

I submit this letter to the BOR to wholeheartedly endorse the appointment of Michael Bruno as the new UH Vice Chancellor for Research for Manoa. Dr. Bruno has a holistic approach toward higher learning that boils down to one simple philosophy: teaching and research yield better results when accomplished together. Dr. Bruno has significantly expanded the capabilities and international reputation of the Davidson Laboratory and the Charles Schaefer School of Engineering and Science at the Stevens Institute of Technology by following this philosophy. The strongest indicator of his approach's success is that over the past two decades Stevens Institute of Technology has served as inspiration for the development of similar programs at new and established national and international engineering schools.

As UH Manoa's research portfolio continues to expand, it is critical that it be managed by someone with demonstrated ability to work well within the broad framework of an institutional system, while simultaneously fostering individual faculty and students. Dr. Bruno is beyond being a proven performer in both categories; he's a role model. His appointment as the new Vice Chancellor for Research for UH Manoa will undoubtedly bring analogous expansion of opportunities, capabilities and reputation to Manoa, and will likely benefit the UH system and the State of Hawaii as well.

Respectfully,
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