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Adam Kissel, Director
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Dear Mr. Kissel:

In response to your letter of November 25, 2009, I have proceeded as you requested and forwarded your letter to our General Counsel. Please be assured that the University of

Minnesota is committed to maintaining the highest standards of academic excellence while protecting academic freedom and freedom of speech within our community.

Sincerely,


Robert H. Bruininks
President

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