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Dear Pablo,

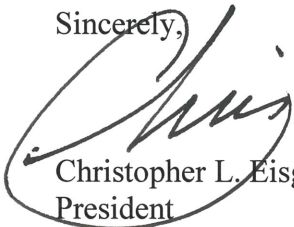
Thank you for sending us the report and recommendations of the Task Force on Administrative Workload in Research (TAWR). We are grateful to you and to the Task Force members for your conscientious work and your thoughtful proposals.

The report makes a convincing case for its recommendations. We are pleased that the task force recognized and respected both the need to reduce the administrative burden experienced by Princeton researchers and also the need to maintain full compliance with the University's legal and ethical obligations. We have accordingly asked that the Offices of Research and Project Administration, Finance and Treasury, International Affairs and Operations, Research Integrity and Assurance, and the Dean for Research develop plans to implement the task force's recommendations. In some cases, the work is already underway. We anticipate that the majority of the recommendations will be implemented during this academic year.

In closing, please let us once again express our appreciation to you and the TAWR members for the excellent process that led to this report and for the recommendations that it generated. The time and effort that you put into this work will yield a better research environment for all.

With best wishes,

Sincerely,



Christopher L. Eisgruber
President



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