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## Dear members of our AU Community,

I hope everyone continues to be healthy and safe.

Our students, faculty and staff have been working very hard over the last few weeks amid this COVID-19 crisis. I think it is time to stop, reflect and plan for the future. I am so pleased that collectively, we are moving ahead and making progress in spite of the limitations presented by this virus. Our AU Community continues to be resilient and strong.

This week, as Christians worldwide begin their celebration of Easter and the Jewish community start the celebration of Passover, I urge you to use the time off to rest and recoup. Enjoy your time and share with family and friends virtually, since we have the capability of doing that while remaining at home.

Sheltering in place does not mean that you have to isolate yourselves from your loved ones. You can make unforgettable memories through various means of communication and know that this will pass and that each of us can contribute to control the spread of the virus in our communities.

Stay safe!

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