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Dear Colleagues:

I am pleased to announce that Dr. Kornelia Tancheva has accepted my offer to become the Hillman University Librarian and Director of the University Library System (ULS) beginning May 1, 2017.

With over 15 years of university library experience, Dr. Tancheva is currently Associate University Librarian for Research and Learning Services at Cornell University Library, where she has collaboratively developed and guided the strategic direction of the library and strengthened the relationship between the library and university community. She previously served as the Director of Cornell's John M. Olin Library and Uris Library, and has extensive experience providing creative leadership to address the unique challenges and opportunities that face university library systems.

Dr. Tancheva earned a Master's in Library Science from Syracuse University, a PhD in American Drama and Theatre at Cornell University, an MA in History and Theory of Drama and Theatre at Cornell University, and an MA in English Language and Literature at Sofia University in Bulgaria. She will oversee a library system that has long been an integral part of Pitt's academic life and consistently ranks in the top 40 research libraries in the world as indicated by the Association of Research Libraries' Library Investment Index.

Dr. Tancheva's vision for the ULS is well matched with our aspirations for the Library and the University. With demonstrated leadership experience in overseeing a large and complex organization as it navigates the rapidly changing information landscape, she is committed to guiding the ULS to new levels of excellence.

I am delighted that Dr. Tancheva has agreed to serve as Hillman University Librarian and Director of the University Library System, and I have great confidence that her leadership will help us build on innovative and forward-thinking initiatives that have positioned the ULS to advance its strategic plan in support of the University of Pittsburgh's academic priorities, curricula, and research. Please join me in congratulating Dr. Tancheva and welcoming her to the Pitt community.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Patricia E. Beeson".

Patricia E. Beeson