

Fellow Trustees,

Midterms are in full swing and a seat at the library has become almost as sought after as a spot in the Starbucks line before the 8:30 class rush.

| Named in honour of Queen's 10th and first female Chancellor, and fellow Trustee Emeritus, Agnes Benidickson, this peer nominated award recognizes distinguished service, leadership, character, and community impact. As chair of the committee, I had the pleasure to learn more about the incredible work students at Queen's do, and ultimately recognize four very deserving inductees into the Tricolour Society. I look forward to sharing more about the four inductees in March.

| Data collection is still underway as we continue to encourage students to share their experiences and thoughts on student housing in Kingston. Conversations with University administrators and those in housing and ancillary services continue to be positive but I do hope we as an institution can continue to think of innovative and industry leading ways to ensure we are putting students first and continue to meet the changing needs of the students we serve.

| I had the pleasure of participating in a round table about student mental health with MPP Pierre and colleagues from student affairs,

pleased with the progress thus far and will stand with students and advocate for inclusive practices across the University.

As always, if you have any questions or comments, feel free to send me an email at rector@queensu.ca or give me a call at (343) 363-2150.

At your service,



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