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Dear ABA Staff Professionals,

After earning my Ph.D. from the University of Kentucky, I attended a professional conference and interviewed for several professorships; one of which was with Sac State. I admit, I was anxious during the wait for offers, but in my heart, I knew which one I would accept without an additional thought – the one from Sac State. When I did receive that call, I had no doubts this university would become my "home."

It has been 28 years since I accepted that offer, and eight years since I assumed the role of Vice President for Administration/Chief Financial Officer. After careful consideration, I have made the difficult decision to retire on August 1 of this year. I plan to return to the faculty with the College of Business Administration as part of the Faculty Early Retirement Program (FERP) in spring of 2019.

I would personally like to thank each and every member of the ABA family. Together, you have made us one of the strongest, and well-functioning divisions on campus. Your hard work is acknowledged and appreciated. I am confident that, via the great leadership of the Administrative and Management Councils, ABA will continue to thrive and be the backbone of Sacramento State.

As I focus on returning to the classroom, I cannot help but reflect on the lessons you have all taught me. Each member of the ABA family embodies dedication not only to our university, but also to each other. Our ability to unite as a team makes us unique. Although each ABA family represents differing facets of the university, we coalesce and make things happen. It is with this conviction that I am confident that ABA will continue to succeed. It's truly all of you that makes the division shine.

The President will soon be making a campus-wide announcement and will share his plans for filling the VP/CFO position. I look forward to seeing you on campus during the semesters I teach and I especially look forward to enjoying the wonderful grounds and facilities as I take my daily walks.

With sincere appreciation,

Ming-Tung "Mike" Lee, Ph.D.

Vice President for Administration/CFO

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