


Memorandum

Senior Vice President
Finance and
Chief Financial Officer

TO: Academic Deans, Faculty and Staff

FROM: Robert Abeles 

DATE: January 3, 2011

SUBJECT: Appointment of Thomas S. Leary, Jr. as
Vice President, Capital Construction and Facilities Management

I am pleased to announce the appointment of Thomas S. Leary, Jr. as Vice President, Capital Construction and Facilities Management at the University of Southern California effective January 10, 2011. In addition to his oversight of these areas, Mr. Leary will be called upon to provide strategic input for the university's master plan design and implementation, extending to both the University Park and Health Sciences Campuses, and will report directly to the Senior Vice President, Finance and Chief Financial Officer.

Vice President Leary's appointment is of particular importance at this time of the university's history, a time when everyone at the university is working arm-in-arm to achieve Dr. Nikias' goal of accelerating the University of Southern California into the ranks of universally recognized elite universities. Through the further planned development of the Health Sciences Campus, the re-engineering of University Village / District III and the successful planning and completion of strategic projects on the University Park Campus (such as the new Student Health Center, the John McKay Center and the relocation/redesign of the University Club), Mr. Leary will play a very pivotal role in the visual, architectural and structural recasting of the university's campuses for the benefit of many Trojan generations to come.

Before joining the University of Southern California, Mr. Leary has worked on large-scale projects for major developers, managing endeavors with budgets up to \$9 billion. He holds a bachelor's of science degree in construction engineering technology and has worked in the construction management industry for over twenty-five years.

Please join me in congratulating Vice President Leary upon the occasion of his new appointment and extend to him your heartiest welcome to the university.