



# Hamilton

Alumni Council Executive Committee

July 18, 2005

Dear Fellow Alum:

We are writing to urge two important actions on your part. First, please cast your ballot for Alumni Trustees so that it arrives at Elections USA by the deadline of August 15, and second, please vote in favor of the slate of candidates endorsed by the Alumni Council.

We want you to know that our Alumni Council took great care in its deliberations for candidates for Alumni Trustees this year. Enormous consideration was invested in searching for alumni who, based on their character, their proven record of devotion to the College and its students, and their understanding of the lessons of recent events, demonstrated to the council that they were the right persons to move Hamilton past its recent controversies toward a bright future. It is clear to us that this careful process has produced a slate of individuals who warrant your trust and support:

**Susan C. Bacot '88, Deborah Forte K'75 and Gregory T. Hoogkamp '82.**

We understand that other alumni of good character and good will have been nominated by petition, which has led to this first-ever polling of the Alumni Association in accord with the association's standing procedures. Applauding this development, we remain very convinced that the best choices for the interests of the College as we move forward lie in the election of Susan Bacot, Deborah Forte and Greg Hoogkamp.

We know that Susan, Deborah and Greg understand the challenges facing the College today and tomorrow: the need for incorporating the healthy range of opinions among the diverse and devoted College constituencies; the need to build on the traditional and to cultivate the newly emerging strengths of the College; and the need for confident, strong leadership by our Board of Trustees. Individually and collectively Susan, Deborah and Greg represent proven, long-term allegiance not to their own self-interest but to the College's best interests. Their sustained history of dedication, involvement and contribution of personal time and resources in service to the College over many years separates them from the other candidates and makes them manifestly qualified to represent our alumni on the Board of Trustees at this critical juncture.

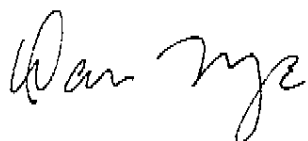
We urge you to cast your mail-in ballot to be received by August 15 in accord with the procedures established for this election, and we further urge your vote in favor of the Alumni Council-endorsed slate of Susan Bacot, Deborah Forte and Greg Hoogkamp. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to let any or all of us know.

Respectfully,

Melissa Joyce Rosen '86  
President of the Alumni Association/  
Chair, Alumni Council

George Baker '74  
Immediate Past President of the  
Alumni Association/At-Large Member

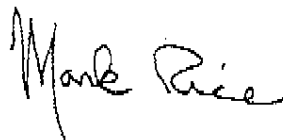
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Daniel T. Nye '88  
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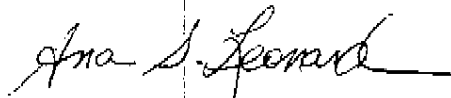
Imad Qasim '79  
Chair, Ad Hoc Committee on  
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Mark Rice '73  
Chair, Regional Affairs Committee



Julie Lamson Ross '84  
Chair, Nominations Committee



Ana Sierra-Leonard K'75  
Chair, Class Leadership Committee

