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Sincerely,
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The fourth annual conference of the Coalition of Urban and Metropolitan Universities generated among its participants a shared sense of urgency and a renewed commitment to the possibilities for urban and metropolitan universities as we face the new millennium. Representing what are more correctly called "starship" than "flagship" institutions, conference participants returned again and again to the core issues of institutionalizing flexibility, fostering change, honoring diversity, encouraging enterprise, and facing urban and metropolitan challenges.

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