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**MONTGOMERY COLLEGE**

Office of the President

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**MEMORANDUM**

**To:** Montgomery College Community  
**From:** Dr. DeRionne P. Pollard, President  
**Subject:** 70th Anniversary Celebrations

The Fall Opening Meeting provided an inspirational launch for Montgomery College's 70th anniversary celebration. Our growth from 186 students to 60,000 offers some powerful lessons in institutional and student success. This year provides a wonderful opportunity to celebrate our accomplishments while reaffirming our commitment to radical inclusion.

Many of the events we have scheduled in the months ahead are the result of suggestions made to the 70th Anniversary Planning Committee. I very much appreciate those who shared their creative, cost-effective ideas.

Montgomery College first opened its doors on September 16, 1946. To commemorate this important date in our history, we will celebrate this Friday, September 16, by serving birthday cake at all three campuses and our two Workforce Development & Continuing Education centers from 12–2 p.m. Throughout the fall and spring semesters other events will follow, some of which you can invite your families to join. World of Montgomery this year on October 16 and the MC Family Picnic on October 22 are both open to families and will have special anniversary activities. The College will also host MC Spirit Day on November 3, when we can all “Rock the Purple” and share our MC spirit throughout our community.

I invite you to participate in these and the many other events being scheduled by the 70th Anniversary Planning Committee. As always I extend a special thanks to the many faculty and staff who have signed up to help with these activities throughout the year.

I look forward to celebrating with all of you!