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We want to thank the entire community for its extraordinary responsiveness last week and to send our heartfelt thoughts to everyone, particularly those faculty whose offices and work were lost or damaged. We are sincerely grateful that, most importantly, everyone was safe and that the fire and subsequent water damage were contained in the South-East wing—leaving much of this historic building intact. Like you, we hold the landscape and architecture of campus close to our hearts, and moments like these remind us of how important a sense of place is to the Bennington experience. As College alumni, supporters and leaders, we are with you.

We are also keenly aware of how challenging these past several weeks have been for the Bennington community and we are immensely grateful for your patience, support and adaptability through it all. Rest assured that we will soon begin planning for the renovation and restoration of the Barn and will discuss that process in more depth in the coming days.

With warmest wishes,

Alan Kornberg '74, Chair

Nick Stephens '77, Vice-Chair

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