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TO: John Jay College Community

FROM: Keisha Pottinger-Moore, Director of Human Resources Operations

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RE: Passing of Dr. Harold Sullivan



We are saddened to announce the passing of Dr. Harold Sullivan, Professor Emeritus.

SULLIVAN, Harold J. Of Newton, formerly of New York, NY and Cambridge, MA. Devoted husband of Joan Kross. Cherished stepfather of John Noble and his wife, Kaitlin (McColgan) of Boston, Edward Noble and his wife, Ryley (Conlon) of Tiverton, RI. Loving Grandpa to Will and Quinn Noble. Beloved friend of more than 50 years to Stephen Devaux and his wife, Deb of Newton; and their sons, AJ and Eric. Son of the late Michael and Margert Sullivan; and devoted brother to the late Evelyn and Ken Sullivan.

Born in Harvard Square and raised by his mother, a native of Ireland, who was widowed when he was a young boy, Harold attended the St. Paul's School in Cambridge, went on to UMASS Boston, and then to the City University of New York (CUNY) where he was awarded a PhD. Harold was Professor Emeritus at the John Jay College of Criminal Justice at CUNY where for many years he served as a professor, Chair of the Political Science Department, Chair of the Council of Chairs, and many other appointments. At UMASS, Harold developed deep friendships with a tightknit crew of classmates who affectionately referred to themselves as "the Group" and maintained these and many other friendships from various phases of his life for decades.

Harold loved his and Joan's (many) dogs, including his current "princess" Yarden, summers on the lake in New Hampshire, Central Park, Broadway productions of all kinds, the Opera, museums, reading, watching and talking politics (especially his go-to MSNBC), and a nice glass of white wine. He will be remembered for his preternatural kindness, loyalty and love for friends and family, sharp wit, endless good humor, dashing good looks, and radio-quality baritone voice. His family is eternally grateful to his many caregivers in his later years.

Funeral Services will be held at St. Paul's Church, Bow & Arrow Streets, CAMBRIDGE, on Thursday, May 18th at 10 AM and a celebration of life will be announced at a later date.

Donations in Harold's memory may be made to the Parkinson's Foundation. To share a memory of Harold or to send a note of condolence, visit www.eatonandmackay.com

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