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Dear Friends of St. Ignatius School,

This past fall, we let you know that we would begin a search to replace our beloved Eavan O’Driscoll as President of St. Ignatius School. At the time, we spoke of finding a new “companion in the mission” – someone who would take up the challenge to continue the success on Manida Street of educating, preparing and graduating 100% of our young men and women to not only attend high school, but to continue to set the world on fire by attending college and enjoying success beyond the classroom as men and women for and with others. We were delighted by the response to our call and were blessed with numerous superb candidates who sought to take up this challenge.

Today, we are pleased to announce that the search committee has unanimously recommended and the Board of Trustees and Board of Members have approved a new companion in our collective mission on Manida Street – Jeremy Clifford.

Jeremy comes to us most recently from The Taft School in Watertown, Connecticut, where he has served as Dean of Academic Affairs, as well as a Math and Economics teacher since 2006. In addition, in 2011, Jeremy and his wife founded a local summer enrichment program for inner city middle and high school students in Waterbury and the surrounding communities that has grown to accommodate over 80 students each summer and continues to thrive today. Before his time at Taft, Jeremy taught at Edward Bellamy Middle School in Chicopee, Massachusetts.

Originally from Staten Island, New York, Jeremy will be returning to his hometown city. A graduate of Regis High School in New York, Jeremy is very familiar with Jesuit education. He went on to earn a Bachelor of Arts in Economics from Yale University and an M.B.A. from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology. After graduating MIT, Jeremy spent five years at Capital One in Virginia, involved in credit and account management decisions before embarking on his calling in education. Jeremy and his wife Laura have three children. He will officially begin his role as President commencing July 1, 2018.

Jeremy is a committed, faithful and passionate addition to the leadership team at St. Ignatius. His background and credentials are impeccable and we look forward to his leadership to cultivate an even higher standard of excellence for our students, teachers, administrators and benefactors. We believe that Jeremy is prepared to lead the community on Manida Street to levels of greatness as we continue pursuing the Ignatian idea of “magis” – as the great Pedro Arrupe reminded us, “to seek greatness in all that we do.”

Please join us in welcoming Jeremy and his family to the St. Ignatius School community and stay tuned for future events where you will be able to meet Jeremy and his family. In the meantime, thank you for all of your support, prayers and assistance during our search process. We have formed a transition committee that will include, among others, Thom and I to assist Jeremy during this time and are committed to providing him the utmost support to ensure a successful transition to the St. Ignatius community. We hope you will do the same and look forward to you meeting our newest companion.

Sincerely,

Bill Miller  
Chair of the Board  
Co-Chair of the Search Committee

Thomas Devlin  
Board Member  
Co-Chair of the Search Committee