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The Faculty of Salve Regina University—recognizing that the Faculty Assembly is the “vehicle through which the Teaching Faculty express their corporate voice on all matters related to the welfare of the University” [Part 3, sec. A.1.d., Salve Regina University Faculty Manual, 2005, p. 114]—express their support of and interest in the 2008-09 search process for the seventh president of the University. We thank M. Therese Antone, RSM, for her more than three decades of steadfast service to the university: as teacher, administrator, and, since 1994, president. The faculty, as an essential constituency of the University, wish to assist the presidential search committee in its exceptionally important task.

In this spirit, we submit that the following qualities and qualifications are necessary for the next president of Salve Regina University.
1. An academic who holds a terminal degree in his/her field, preferably an earned doctorate in the Arts and Sciences, with a record of scholarly production and classroom teaching experience

2. Understands and supports the mission of the University

3. Appreciates and works toward an open and diverse university community where divergent ideas and different peoples are supported and cultivated

4. Supports faculty research while recognizing the primacy of the University’s teaching mission

5. Understands and supports the University’s historical mandate to educate students in the liberal arts and professional programs