Dear Einstein Community:

Last week, we gathered in Carnegie Hall to mark the commencement of our class of 2022. In all, we conferred 160 M.D., 21 Ph.D., and 15 combined M.D. and Ph.D. degrees; it was a privilege to highlight the hard work and achievements of these remarkable individuals who now join the ranks of our proud and accomplished alumni.

Our newly minted physicians and scientists, and everyone else who attended commencement, heard an inspiring keynote from Dr. Mary Bassett, Commissioner of the New York State Department of Health. Dr. Bassett reminded us of Albert Einstein’s role as a humanitarian, as well as of his vision for our institution as one that is accepting of all individuals, regardless of race, religion, or creed. You can read more about the ceremony and view it here.

Other Educational Highlights
While commencement signifies the close of the academic year, this has been an eventful time for Einstein in the area of education, starting with our receipt last July of full accreditation from the Middle States Commission on Higher Education making us a fully independent academic entity. Since then, we’ve continued to update our curriculum, a subject I discussed with our education deans during my dean’s chat on May 20.

Also worth noting on the education front are:

- The recent Einstein magazine article, which detailed how our curriculum is being transformed;
- A website story featuring several of our students who are first-generation college graduates in their families;
- Highlights from Match Day, when our graduating students learned where they will go for residency;
• A playlist of several mentee/mentor videos created for our Ph.D. Convocation; and
• A feature on Ph.D. students who received this year’s Julius Marmur Awards.

These stories and videos reflect the excellence of our educational programs and the faculty who direct them, the diligence and thoughtfulness that go into making sure we are always striving to be better, and the outstanding efforts of our students as they work to achieve their career goals.

Sincerely,

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