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Chancellor Thomas F. George  
401 Woods Hall  
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Dear Chancellor George:

It is my recommendation that you promote Assistant Professor Lea-Rachel Kosnik of the Department of Economics to the rank of Associate Professor with tenure. The Unit Committee of the Department voted 5-0 in favor of tenure and promotion. The Dean's Advisory Committee for Tenure and Promotion (comprised of Professors Terry Jones, Ronald Munson, Susan Brownell, Brian Vandenberg, Sam Wang, Ricardo Flores, Richard Friedlander, Janet Lauritsen, Sylvia Cook and Anne Winkler) voted unanimously (9-0) in favor of tenure and promotion. (Anne Winkler did not participate because she is in the Department of Economics.) The Dean's Advisory Committee was chosen based on nominations from their departments by three committees made up of Chairs in the areas of Social Sciences, Natural Sciences and Mathematics, and Humanities.

The members of the Dean's Advisory Committee thought that Dr. Kosnik has an exemplary record with real strengths in research, teaching and service. Her record was described as "superb," "remarkable" and "exemplary" and there were no reservations expressed about this case by any of the members of the committee. Accordingly, I strongly support the recommendation of the Advisory Committee that Dr. Kosnik be awarded tenure and promoted to the level of Associate Professor.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Ronald E. Yasbin".

Ronald E Yasbin  
Dean and Professor of Microbiology