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Dear President Nietzel,

On behalf of the board of directors and staff of Campus Compact, I wish to congratulate Missouri State University - Springfield on being awarded The Carnegie Foundation for the Advancement of Teaching Community Engagement Classification for 2010.

Attaining this coveted classification is a testament to your leadership in integrating community engagement into the identity, culture and commitments of your institution. Campus Compact commends you and those on your campus for your exceptional work in forging reciprocal partnerships with local, regional, national and international communities to exchange knowledge and resources for the greater good.

We are proud to note that our members have played a significant role in advancing this elective classification. Of the 115 institutions receiving the community engagement classification this year, 110 are active Campus Compact members. This impressive showing reflects the dedication of our members to the principles of education for civic and social responsibility. Thank you for serving as a model for our member institutions and all of higher education.

Maureen F. Curley President

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CC: Elizabeth Burton, Associate Director, Citizenship and Service Learning