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Memorandum

To: Montgomery College Employees
From: Mr. Alton Henley, Dean, Business and Hospitality
Subject: **Appointment of the Department Chair for Business and Hospitality at Takoma Park/Silver Spring and Germantown Campuses**
Date: October 7, 2025

It is my pleasure to share that Professor Jana Anderson has been appointed to serve as chair for the business and hospitality unit for both the Germantown and Takoma Park/Silver Spring campuses, effective September 27, 2025.

Professor Jana Anderson joined the full-time faculty at Montgomery College in 2018 as an Associate Professor and Program Coordinator for the Hospitality Management Program, after more than seven years of teaching as an adjunct instructor at Montgomery College. During her time as Program Coordinator of the Hospitality Management Program, Professor Anderson spearheaded a comprehensive curriculum update, established articulation agreements with MCPS, and created new transfer pathways to partner institutions. A strong advocate for experiential learning, Professor Anderson championed the launch of the Rolling Raptor EduKitchen, a mobile business lab that brings hands-on learning directly to Montgomery College Business and Hospitality students.

Professor Anderson has been serving as the acting department chair for the business & hospitality department for the past year, supporting the business, economics, accounting, computer applications, hospitality management, and paralegal studies disciplines on the Germantown and Takoma Park/ Silver Spring campuses. Additionally, she developed and manages the \$150,000 "Hospitality to Possibility" Program, an EARN Maryland Grant-funded initiative; serves as a board member of FHRM (Foundation for Hospitality and Restaurant Management), an advisory board to Montgomery County Public Schools (MCPS) hospitality and culinary programs; and plans the annual Montgomery College Business Analytics Conference.

Prior to joining MC, Professor Anderson served as an adjunct instructor at Howard Community College and worked for Hillstone Restaurant Group in restaurant operations and upper-level management for over ten years.

Professor Anderson earned a bachelor of science in hotel, restaurant, and institutional management and a master of professional studies in community and economic development from Pennsylvania State University.

Please welcome Professor Anderson to her new role. We look forward to her continued leadership.

