

MEMORANDUM

FROM

OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

May 18, 1970

To: Faculty, Students, and Staff

From: John X. Jamrich, President

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