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The Honorable Thomas V. Mike Miller President Senate of Maryland H-107 State House Annapolis, Maryland 21401

The Honorable Michael E. Busch Speaker Maryland House of Delegates H-101 State House Annapolis, Maryland 21401

Re:

The Private Donation Incentive Program Annual

Report #517

Dear President Miller and Speaker Busch:

In accordance with §17-306 of the Education Article of the Annotated Code of Maryland, the Maryland Higher Education Commission (MHEC) submits the required report.

As stated in §17-306 of the Education Article,

"The Maryland Higher Education Commission shall:

(2) Submit to the Governor and, in accordance with § 2-1246 of the State Government Article, to the General Assembly an annual report summarizing the total amount of funds pledged by eligible private donors and total amount of funds raised."

The Private Donation Incentive Program (PDIP) was a program created in §17-301 of the Education Article that provided State-matching funds to promote private fundraising within Maryland's public colleges and universities. This program ended on January 1, 2010, has not been re-authorized.

If you have any questions regarding this report, please feel free to contact Mr. Lee Towers, Director of Legislative Affairs, at 410-767-3059, or ltowers@mhec.state.md.us.

Sincerely,

Catherine M. Shultz, J.D.

Acting Secretary of Higher Education