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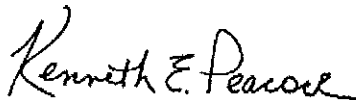
Dear Friends:

The North Carolina Office of State Budget and Management recently announced budget restrictions regarding expenditures. Unfortunately, these new limitations affect several events already planned for this spring, including the annual retiree luncheon which must now be canceled. Rosanne and I always look forward to this special time of catching up with retired Appalachian colleagues and are disappointed we will not have the opportunity to do so this year.

Even though the luncheon has been canceled, the University's Office of Human Resource Services has arranged for a benefits representative to be at the Broyhill Inn and Conference Center on Tuesday, May 12, from 10 a.m. until 12 noon. The representative will be available to answer any questions you may have regarding your benefits.

Thank you for your past service to this University and for your ongoing support and understanding, particularly in difficult financial times such as these that we are experiencing. I hope to resume this great tradition of the retiree luncheon once again next year so that we may come together to celebrate our University and the Appalachian Family once again.

Sincerely,



Kenneth E. Peacock
Chancellor

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