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MEMORANDUM

TO: Vice Chancellor's Executive Committee and TRE Council, Texas A&M AgriLife
Department Heads, College of Agriculture and Life Sciences
Institute Directors, Texas A&M AgriLife
Alan Kurk, Director, AgriLife Communications and Information Technology
Steve Schulze, Assistant Vice Chancellor for Administration, AgriLife Administrative Services

SUBJECT: 2017 Vice Chancellor's Awards in Excellence

It is my pleasure to announce the call for nominations for the 2017 Vice Chancellor's Awards in Excellence Program. Established in 1980, this awards program recognizes the commitment and outstanding contributions of faculty and staff across Texas A&M AgriLife. These awards provide us with a unique opportunity to celebrate the contributions and achievements of our faculty and staff members. Awards will be presented at a Texas A&M AgriLife awards ceremony in January 2018.

This year, we have revised and broadened the criteria for the diversity award to include workplace and/or campus climate. This could be demonstrated in a variety of ways, including development of diversity initiatives, implementing programming for employee wellness and welfare, and creating resources to improve workplace and campus morale. For more information about this award, please see page 9 in the guidelines.

The nomination form, guidelines, checklist/timeline and additional information for the Vice Chancellor's Awards is available at the following link <http://agrilifeawards.tamu.edu/> for your use in soliciting nominations from within your respective unit or agency. I encourage you to send forward a full slate of nominees for consideration. All nomination materials should be submitted electronically as one .PDF file to agawards@ag.tamu.edu **no later than 5:00PM on Friday, September 22, 2017**. If you should have any questions regarding the Vice Chancellor's Awards in Excellence, please contact Gretchen Philipp or Angel Futrell at 979-845-4747.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Mark A. Hussey".

Mark A. Hussey
Vice Chancellor and Dean
Agriculture and Life Sciences

xc: Award Chairs, Texas A&M AgriLife
Dean's Team, College of Agriculture and Life Sciences