

## Pennsylvania State System of Higher Education

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Via Electronic Mail

The Honorable Tom Corbett Governor Commonwealth of Pennsylvania Room 225, Main Capitol Building Harrisburg, PA 17120

## Dear Governor Corbett:

The Pennsylvania State System of Higher Education (PASSHE) is required to report annually on projects and services funded through Act 50 of 1993, the "Key '93 Act." This letter serves as the report for the period July 1, 2010, through June 30, 2011, as required by the act.

The Commonwealth's budget for 2010/11 suspended appropriations from the Real Estate Transfer Tax to Key '93; therefore, PASSHE does not have any projects or services funded by this act to report for fiscal year 2010/11.

The students and faculty of PASSHE universities, and the communities and regions they serve, appreciate your past support of efforts to improve the facilities of the Commonwealth's state-owned universities and look forward to this funding being restored in the future.

With a \$2 billion backlog in deferred maintenance projects on our university campuses, the funding received through this legislation is essential. These funds, along with funds committed from each university's operating budget, have provided continued improvement in the Commonwealth's educational facilities. The ongoing attention to deferred maintenance is critical to the health and safety of students and employees, the utility of the facilities for preparation of the Commonwealth's future work force, and control the increasing costs associated with a growing backlog.

Sincerely,

John C. Cavanaugh, Ph.D.

Chancellor

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