Dear	UA	community,
	
Welcome	to	the	university’s	2018	fall	semester.	I	join	you	in	looking	forward	to	the	journey	we	will	take	
together	this	year	as	we	continue	to	expand	on
	our	strengths,	reach	for	our	goals,	and	search	for	new	
opportunities
	to	realize	our	mission	for	Alaska.	
	
In	this	new	year,	we	will	grow	in	our	role	as	a	world	leader	in	Arctic	
research;	prepare	more	Alaskans	for	
good	jobs	across	 the	state

complete	annual	Title	IX	training.	The	Title	IX	Sex	and	Gender	Based	Discrimination	training	is	conveniently	
provided	for	you	via	UAOnline.	UA	faculty	and	staff	are	reminded	that	we	need	to	be	aware	of	our	duties	
as	a	
“responsible	employee
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I	hope	you	enjoyed	a	wonderful	summer	and	are	ready	to	put	your	energy	into	working
	hard	toward	a	
year	 of	 continued	 success,	 growth,	 and	 opportunity.	 I	 share	 with	 you	 a	 love	 for	 this	 university
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	 an	
appreciation
	for	this	community	of	scholarship,	and	for	the	opportunity	to	work	alongside	and	with	all	of	
you.
	
	
Thank	you	for	all	that	you	do
	for	the	University	of	Alaska.
	
With	gratitude
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Jim	Johnsen