Cristina Amon, Dean

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MEMORANDUM 2016-17/21

Members of the Institute of Biomaterials and Biomedical Engineering

**Chairs and Directors** 

From: Cristina Amon

**Date**: June 23, 2017

Re: Announcement – Interim Director, Institute of Biomaterials and Biomedical

Engineering

I am pleased to announce the appointment of Professor Craig Simmons as Interim Director, Institute of Biomaterials and Biomedical Engineering for a three-month term, effective July 1, 2017.

Craig Simmons joined the University of Toronto in 2005, and is appointed in the Department of Mechanical & Industrial Engineering and the Institute of Biomaterials and Biomedical Engineering, with a cross-appointment to the Faculty of Dentistry. He is a Distinguished Professor in Mechanobiology, and has been the recipient of the McCharles Prize for Early Career Research Distinction (2010), the McLean Award (2012), the Faculty Teaching Award (2016), and the Northrup Frye Award (2017). In 2014, he became a Fellow of the Canadian Society for Mechanical Engineering. Craig has previously served as the Biomedical Option Chair in the Division of Engineering Science, the Associate Director, Research at the Institute of Biomaterials and Biomedical Engineering, and is currently the Scientific Director, Translational Biology & Engineering Program (TBEP), Ted Rogers Centre for Heart Research.

Please join me in thanking Craig for his service in providing interim leadership to the Institute while we continue with the search for the next Director.