Dear Classmates,

To put it mildly, this spring has not gone as we or anyone else expected. We hope you’re all well, staying safe and healthy during this challenging time. For those of you working remotely while balancing that with children and other family at home, we hope you are surviving cabin fever. For our classmates on the front lines of this terrible pandemic, working long hours, caring for the sick and providing other essential services, please know that all Ephs are hoping for your health and safety. We are so grateful for all that you are doing. If there is anything at all we can do to help, please reach out and let us know.

As President Mandel just stated in her email, with the increasingly challenging situation presented by the coronavirus pandemic, she has made the difficult decision to cancel Reunion Weekend and postpone commencement to a later date. This is the last message we expected to be sending you two months before reunion, but there’s a tiny silver lining for us in this: the 25th and 50th reunion classes will have their milestone reunions postponed, to a later date.

We (co-chairs Anamaria, Jessie, and Flo, 25th Reunion coordinator and classmate Beth, and Beth’s assistant Conny) have been in regular communication with each other and the College about our options. We have been weighing the pros and cons of a variety of alternatives, and are aiming for an in-person celebration next spring or summer. A great deal of factors including things like the availability of campus venues, catering, staff, housing, student resources, and area lodging are being taken into consideration. These conversations will take some time, but please know we are working on it, and we will be in touch again when we have more specific details to share.

In the meantime, our blessings to you and your loved ones. Stay safe and healthy, ‘95ers. We are looking forward to celebrating together with you in the future.

With much love and socially-distanced virtual hugs,

Anamaria, Jessie, and Flo