

## **Dear Einstein Community:**

Every March 8, we celebrate International Women's Day, which gives us the opportunity to spotlight and reflect on women's rights while also acknowledging the immense, but often unheralded, contributions made by women to Einstein, our society, and the world.

Since the College of Medicine's earliest days, women have helped shape and advance our institution—from raising funds to establish the new medical school that welcomed everyone to chairing academic departments and influencing their fields of study. We wouldn't be where we are now without women in critical leadership roles, both those who were publicly recognized and those who tirelessly pursued excellence behind the scenes.

This fact of Einstein's history is never more relevant than today, evident in the vision and almost unimaginable generosity of one woman—Dr. Ruth Gottesman—whose gift has again transformed Einstein. Dr. Gottesman, whose contributions as a faculty member improved the lives of many overcoming learning disabilities, has forever changed the lives of our medical students and we will act as a proud steward of her philanthropy.

We also want to take this opportunity to congratulate and applaud each woman at Einstein—students, postdocs, faculty members, and staff—for the integral role you play in advancing the mission of the College of Medicine. We are stronger and better here at Einstein because of you.

## Warm Regards,

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