Colleagues,

On Monday, December 1st, there will be a very special event in the Provost's Lecture Series. "Mentoring for Success: Helping Underrepresented Students Thrive in a Research Environment" will be the topic of a special presentation in honor of the accomplishments of Dr. David Bynum, Associate Professor of Biochemistry and Cell Biology and Director and Founder of the Long Island Group Advancing Science Education. Dr. Bynum received the 2002 Presidential Award for Excellence in Science, Mathematics, and Engineering Mentoring for his remarkable results in increasing the participation of minorities, women, and disabled students in these fields and in recognition of his dedication to developing educational opportunities for elementary, secondary, undergraduate, and graduate students to participate in laboratory experiences at Stony Brook.

The event will be introduced by The Honorable John H. Marburger III, Presidential Science Advisor and Director, Office of Science and Technology Policy. The featured speaker will be Michael F. Summers, Professor and Howard Hughes Medical Institute Investigator, University of Maryland, Baltimore County and 2000 Recipient of the Presidential Award for Excellence in Mentoring.

This special event will begin at 4:00 p.m. and will be held in the Student Activities Center Auditorium. A reception will follow in SAC Ballroom B.

Please pass along this invitation to anyone you feel would be interested in attending.

Robert McGrath
Provost and Executive Vice President for Academic Affairs.