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September 18, 2017

Dr. Mary Hendrix  
President  
Shepherd University  
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Dear President Hendrix:

This letter serves as formal notification and official record of action taken concerning Shepherd University by the Institutional Actions Council of the Higher Learning Commission at its meeting on September 11, 2017. The date of this action constitutes the effective date of the institution's new status with HLC.

**Action.** IAC concurred with the evaluation findings and approved the institution's request to offer the Master of Science in Data Analytics and Information Systems.

In two weeks, this action will be added to the *Institutional Status and Requirements (ISR) Report*, a resource for Accreditation Liaison Officers to review and manage information regarding the institution's accreditation relationship. Accreditation Liaison Officers may request the ISR Report on HLC's website at <http://www.hlcommission.org/isr-request>.

Information on notifying the public of this action is available at <http://www.hlcommission.org/HLC-Institutions/institutional-reporting-of-actions.html>.

If you have any questions about these documents after viewing them, please contact the institution's staff liaison Steph Brzuzy. Your cooperation in this matter is appreciated.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Barbara Gellman-Danley".

Barbara Gellman-Danley  
President

CC: ALO