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MEMO TO: The University Community FROM: Earl Lazerson

I have just been informed of the untimely death of James F. Metcalf, Budget Director of Southern Illinois University at Edwardsville. Mr. Metcalf had not been in good health for sometime, but his passing is a severe shock and a great loss to the University. Throughout his more than 27 years of service, he exhibited an extraordinary capability and the utmost integrity. He was instrumental in the University's development as the primary institution of higher education in Southwestern Illinois.

Jim Metcalf's long tenure of service is well known within the University community, the Illinois higher education system, and the region. Associated with the SIU System since 1956, he was named budget director and controller over the Edwardsville campus in 1971. Before that, he served as director of finance for the Edwardsville campus for three years. During the period from April 1976 until June 1977, he also held the position of acting vice president for business affairs, in addition to his responsibilities as budget director and controller.

He again was named acting vice president for business affairs in May 1980, serving in that position until he was appointed Budget Director in May 1981.

A native of Murphysboro, Mr. Metcalf joined the SIU staff at Carbondale as an accountant. He became the division chief auditor at Edwardsville in 1962 and was named assistant to the director of business affairs at Edwardsville in 1963. In 1966, he was appointed director of the business services division.

Before joining SIU, Mr. Metcalf was an accountant with Curtis and Ross, Certified Public Accountants in Carbondale, and with Sangamo Electric Co. in Marion. He was a graduate of SIU at Carbondale with a degree in business administration.

Survivors include his wife, Libby, and their two daughters and a son. Funeral arrangements will be announced by Weber Funeral Home.