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MEMO TO: The University Community FROM: Earl Lazerson S. C. SUBJECT: Commencement Activities

For the fifth consecutive year, the University will sponsor as part of its Commencement activities a roundtable and symposium dedicated to a prominent issue in higher education. This year, the topic of the symposium will be Achieving Educational Parity by 2000: Programs that Work. I encourage you to attend and to participate, for both the roundtable and the symposium will address issues of vital importance to our future.

A roundtable discussion will take place from 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. on Friday, June 8, in the Redbud-Oak Rooms in the University Center. Dr. David Werner, Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs, will preside. Participants will include Ms. Jacqueline McCaffrey, Director of Special Projects at the University of Texas at Austin, Dr. Roslyn Sykes of the SIUE School of Nursing, and Dr. Uri Treisman, Lang Visiting Professor of Mathematics and Social Change, Swarthmore College, and Director, Charles A. Dana Center for Mathematics and Science Education, University of California at Berkeley. Mr. John E. Jacob, who will receive at Commencement the honorary degree of Doctor of Humane Letters, will serve as respondent.

Mr. Jacob, President and CEO of the National Urban League, will be the principal speaker at the symposium. The title of his address is "Achieving Educational Parity." The symposium will be held in the Redbud-Oak Rooms from 2:00 to 4:00 p.m. Participants in the symposium session will include Dr. Donald Beggs, Dean of the College of Education at SIUC, Dr. David VanWinkle, Superintendent of Schools, Alton Community Unit School District #11, Ms. McCaffrey, and Dr. Treisman. Dr. Gary Hull, Dean of the SIUE School of Education, will preside.