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MEMO TO: SIUE Community

FROM: Earl Lazerson

SUBJECT: Fund Established To Aid Fire Victims at SIUC

We are deeply saddened by the tragic fire which cost the lives of four students at Southern Illinois University at Carbondale and critically injured several others early Sunday morning in the Pyramid Studio Apartments, off-campus in Carbondale. Most of the 44 persons living in the building were from foreign countries, making the trauma of death and displacement an even greater tragedy because they are thousands of miles away from their homes. The University and Carbondale communities have joined hands in offering emergency housing and whatever comforts can be provided to help alleviate the anguish and suffering.

We want to be a part of this humanitarian effort by securing funds to assist the survivors in meeting basic needs to continue their studies at SIUC. If you wish to contribute, please send your donation to the SIUE Foundation, % "SIUC Fire Victims," Campus Box 1082, or P.O. Box 800, Edwardsville, IL 62025-9908. In addition, the students desperately need clothing, personal items and canned food because most of them lost all their personal possessions. Items are being collected at the Office of The SIUE Foundation, located at the corner of Highway 157 and Lewis Road, across from Home Nursery, or they may be dropped off in collection boxes placed around the Christmas tree in Goshen Lounge in the University Center. Additional information is available by calling the Foundation, telephone 618/692-2345.

Our hearts go out to those who have been touched in any way by this catastrophe.