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**Announcement about Dean of Lassonde School of Engineering**

I am announcing today that Professor Janusz Kozinski has informed me of his decision to step down as Dean of the Lassonde School of Engineering, effective June 30, 2017.

He will be taking an administrative leave from the University to undertake new research projects and to share his experiences of creating a new School with engineering educators from around the world.

He remains committed to the continued success of the School and to the ideals on which it was founded.

A search committee for the next Dean for the Lassonde School of Engineering will be developed and launched in the coming months. In the meantime, an Interim Dean will be identified and appointed as soon as practicable.

Dean Kozinski has requested, and I have agreed, that he begin work on his next projects starting March 20, 2017, prior to the formal end of his term on June 30, 2017.

First appointed as Dean of the Faculty of Science and Engineering in 2010, and as founding Dean of the Lassonde School of Engineering in 2012, Professor Kozinski has led the establishment of University’s 10th and newest Faculty with characteristic energy, enthusiasm and endeavour.

On behalf of the University, I would like to thank Dean Kozinski for the outstanding leadership he has provided to the students, faculty and staff of the Lassonde School of Engineering and to the wider community, seeing the remarkable Lassonde project through from its planning ideals. Few colleagues have the opportunity to lead such an endeavour.

We are grateful for his significant contribution to the University and wish him the best with all his future projects.