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Dear friends, alumni and supporters of Cornell's Program in Real Estate,

We are indeed proud to introduce you to the Cornell Real Estate Journal. This first edition represents the realization of a dream first enunciated by the class of 2003 last fall, and is the result of a major effort on the part of editor Elliott Burrell-Crowe and his classmates. It is based on the tremendous enthusiasm our students share for the materials they are studying in their graduate Program in Real Estate and on their desire to share articles and thoughts on some of the the critical real estate issues of the day with friends and supporters of the Program.

In this and future editions you will find articles and case studies prepared by Cornell students and faculty and by others in the field of real estate—all presented in the spirit of stimulating thought and dialogue on important issues facing our industry. The Cornell Real Estate Journal is presented by our graduate students in the hope that it will provide a meaningful combination of real world and theoretical topics that will stimulate your thinking and response, and in that way add to the quality of our educational and your professional efforts. We hope that you will take time to read and consider the content of this and future editions, and that you will join us in debate and discussion of the important real estate issues of the day. As always, your thoughts and suggestions in response to what is presented are welcome and encouraged. We want your input!

After reading this first edition, we hope that you will agree on the value of the Cornell Real Estate Journal and that you will choose to subscribe and support this landmark effort by students in Cornell's graduate Program in Real Estate.

Sincere best wishes for your continued success,

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Introduction

Dear Readers,

Welcome to the inaugural issue of the Cornell Real Estate Journal. It is not every day that a group aspiration takes shape and becomes reality. Near the beginning of the academic year, a group of students dedicated to the study of Real Estate and the graduate Program in Real Estate at Cornell, discussed publishing a journal, where students, professionals and academics could discuss relevant, practical, and informing real estate issues. After much hard work and dedication, we present to you the Cornell Real Estate Journal - a biannual journal published by students.

We hope you enjoy this inaugural issue. We have taken pains to present a collection of articles, case studies, and essays that we believe you will find stimulating and informative.

In the future we plan to include alumni interviews, architectural reviews, additional case studies, articles concerning international real estate, and a selection of the best student articles as selected by a panel of faculty, staff, and students.

While you have received this inaugural issue unsolicited, we hope that you will read it and then take the time to fill out the subscription form, in order to support this new, and with your support, long lasting endeavor.

In addition we welcome your involvement. We would appreciate your comments and suggestions on subjects to cover and other ideas we might incorporate to make the publication an interesting, applicable and practical source of information. We invite you to submit articles, essays, or case studies. We hope you will join us in our efforts in creating a community of interest. For those of you who wish to contribute ideas, articles, or case studies, please send them to Elliott Burrell-Crowe at the e-mail or address below.

Again, thank you for your support. We look forward to hearing from you.

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