This is an exciting time to serve on the Board as Mailman approaches its centennial celebration and sets its agenda for the future. With the current pandemic and the longstanding health inequities of black and brown communities, the importance and role of public health leadership are paramount. The role of Mailman and other public health institutions to provide this leadership by actively engaging with its faculty, students, and the thousands of alumni to solve these problems are essential. I look forward to working with the board on alumni engagement, programming, and community building as Mailman sets its strategic vision during this critical time.