17 November 2000

Barbara Smith
Provost
TESC

Dear Barbara,

This will notify you formally that I should like to continue teaching on regular faculty status through the academic year 2001-2002 and to be nominated for emeritus status thereafter. It has been hard to write this note, because it marks a major change in my life, but it's clearly time to change.

My plans after retirement (aagh, that word!) are unclear, but I certainly have a great deal of writing in mind. In that connection, I would like to retain the possibility of teaching occasionally, especially if I can create a program that would be valuable for some of our students (probably advanced students) while helping to develop the topics I'm writing about. The idea of sometimes being a kind of informal mentor or advisor to younger faculty members, as referred to in a recent memo about Llyn DeDanaan, is also attractive.

Best wishes,

Burton S. Guttman
Member of the Faculty (Biology)