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Kathleen’s experience in leading both university and public museums is an excellent fit with the mission of the arts on the UIUC campus. Her vibrant embrace of interdisciplinary work, her determination to involve new generations in the examination of visual arts, and her deep respect for collegial team-building make her an exciting colleague.

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