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Attached is the iDiversify Conference Invitation.

Thank You for Time,

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iDiversify Conference

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Our partnerships with you we are progressing towards our goal to serve not only the UH community but the entire state of Texas to learn about critical issues and acquire essential skills to help better serve our respected backgrounds. Stepping outside your comfort zone opens the world of endless opportunities to a change in the world.

We hope that your student organization will participate in this conference. If your organization or department would like to participate in this year's conference please contact our email address ceotuh@gmail.com

Sincerely,

iDiversify 2010 Planning Committee

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