Correction to Anderson, Horowitz, and French

In the article, “Attributional Style of Lonely and Depressed People,” by Craig A. Anderson, Leonard M. Horowitz, and Rita deSales French (Journal of Personality and Social Psychology, 1983, Vol. 45, No. 1, 127-136), there were errors consisting of several reversed signs on the ability attributional style correlations with loneliness and depression. Lines 9-24, in the left column on p. 134, should read as follows:

For interpersonal failures, the correlation was .424 ($p < .001$). None of the other types of situations showed a significant correlation. These correlations ranged from $-.171$ to $-.079$ ($p > .05$ in all cases). Thus, lonely people were more likely to attribute their interpersonal failures to the unchangeable factor, ability. As in Study 1, this correlation (.424) was significantly greater than that for noninterpersonal failures (.144), $t(114) = 2.76, p < .01$.

We also computed correlations between this measure and scores of depression. The correlation for interpersonal failures was .372 ($p < .001$) and that for noninterpersonal failures was .272 ($p < .005$).