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Victor Boschini  
Chancellor  
Texas Christian University  

Lee Jackson  
Chancellor  
University of North Texas System  

Dr. Michael Williams  
President  
University of North Texas Health Science Center  

Dear Chancellor Boschini, Chancellor Jackson and Dr. Williams,

We strongly support the partnership between the University of North Texas Health Science Center and TCU to develop an allopathic medical school in Fort Worth. In our city, where successful public-private partnerships are a “way of life”, we congratulate you on this outstanding endeavor. An MD school is an important step in building a better future for our citizens. Graduating highly-educated and trained physicians for our expanding population will be a win for all.

Both TCU and the UNT Health Science Center have proven their unwavering dedication to students, faculty and community by establishing innovative learning environments and nationally recognized programs. This new partnership between the universities will further compliment the Harris College of Nursing and Health Sciences at TCU and the Texas College of Osteopathic Medicine at UNTHSC, along with dozens of other schools and curricula at both campuses.

We know that an MD school provides expanded opportunity for publically and privately funded medical and health-related research. The new research opportunities derived from this partnership will bring jobs and investment to Fort Worth and Tarrant County, along with world class intellectual capital. Our great hospitals will benefit from the opportunity to grow and attract even more talent to our community. What community wouldn’t want good job creation, increased economic investment and more outstanding scientists while also improving access to quality health care?

Fort Worth is a can do city because of leaders like you. We appreciate the vision and dedication you bring to our community.

Sincerely,

Mayor Betsy Price  

Mike Moncrief  

Edward P. Bass  

Bill Thornton