

Student Government Association

TEXAS TECH UNIVERSITY HEALTH SCIENCES CENTER Senate Resolution 20.03

(Stating the sentiments of the Student Senate congratulating Interim-President Dr. Lori Rice-Spearman, Ph.D., on her recent promotion to PROVOST, Chief Academic Officer, and Interim-President of TTUHSC)

WHEREAS, Dr. Lori Rice-Spearman has served the TTHSC family faithfully since 1987. She has devoted her time to innovating new ways to allow students to gain the proper education to become successful health professionals and leaders in healthcare.

WHEREAS, Dr. Lori Rice-Spearman has made a huge impact on here fellow co-workers and peers here at TTUHSC. The faculty and staff here at TTUHSC are nothing but thankful for the companionship and work ethic she has brought to the school. Many of her peers look up to her and are very proud of the leader, as well as a good friend, she is.

WHEREAS, Dr. Lori Rice-Spearman was unanimously selected for the position of Provost and Chief Academic Officer based on her academic administrative experience along with her solid vision to unify our five schools and move us toward achieving a more meaningful interprofessional education.

WHEREAS, Dr. Lori Rice-Spearman was awarded "Top 25 Female Professors in Texas" and the YWCA "Women of Excellence Award in Medicine" in the year 2012. She has also received awards from the Texas Tech University System, including "Chancellor's Excellence in Teaching" and "Distinguished Professor".

WHEREAS, Dr. Lori Rice-Spearman has served as the Dean of the School of Health Professions since 2016. During this time, she led the way in adding new areas of study and has received numerous national awards recognizing the success of these programs.

WHEREAS, Dr. Lori Rice-Spearman is an alumna of the first class of the school's Clinical Laboratory Sciences program, while also being the first in the nation to create a Master's degree for Laboratory Sciences allowing for scientific training in the molecular diagnosis of acquired, inherited and infectious diseases.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Student Senate of Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center calls congratulate Dr. Lori Rice-Spearman on her many impactful years at this institution, and for the many barriers she's overcome. The TTUHSC family is more than willing to stand behind her as she takes on her new role at Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this resolution be spread upon the Journal and that copies be sent to Interim-President, **Dr. Lori Rice-Spearman**, **Ph.D.**; **Dr. Steven Sawyer**, **Ph.D**, Interim-Dean of the School of Health Professions; **Austin Watts**, Editor-in-Chief of *The Daily Toreador*, and to the students of Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center.

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