

TEXAS TECH UNIVERSITY HEALTH SCIENCES CENTER Senate Resolution 21.18

(Stating the sentiments of the Student Senate congratulating the TTUHSC School of Health Professions Physician Assistant Studies on their building expansion groundbreaking and program expansion.)

WHEREAS, the TTUHSC School of Health Professions Physician Assistant Studies were established in 1999 as an effort to counter the need for healthcare providers to the Permian Basin, and

WHEREAS, TTUHSC announced a \$30 million expansion for the School of Health Professions Physician Assistant Program at a groundbreaking event March 23, 2021, and

WHEREAS, partners in securing funding for the expansion include Representative Tom Craddick and the Texas Legislature (\$20 million), Midland Development Corporation (\$5 million), Permian Strategic Partnership (\$2.5 million), and the Scharbauer Foundation (\$1 million). Remaining contributions were provided through various gift funding and TTUHSC institutional funds, and

WHEREAS, the expansion includes a 32,500 square foot facility that will include an anatomy lab, additional classrooms, and simulation facilities. The labs will also be available to nursing and other health care professionals of the Permian Basin, and

WHEREAS, Class size of the PA program will increase from 60 to 72 students, and

WHEREAS, aligning with TTUHSC's vision, expansion of the PA program is an opportunity for TTUHSC to increase much needed access to healthcare by providing education, training, and the opportunity for interprofessional collaboration, and

WHEREAS, completion of the project is projected for Summer 2022, and

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Student Senate of the Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center congratulate the TTUHSC School of Health Professions Physician Assistant Program on their expansion,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this resolution be spread upon the Journal and that copies be sent to Lori-Rice Spearman Ph.D., President of the Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center; Christina Robohm-Leavitt DMSc, PA-C, DFAAPA, Regional Dean for the Physician Assistant Program; Chase Seabolt, Editor-in-chief of The Daily Toreador; and to the students of Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center.

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