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October 11, 2024 University Day

Dear Chancellor Roberts,

Today is a great day for Carolina. Collectively, those signing below have followed closely much of your career and term as Interim Chancellor. We are absolutely convinced you are the right person at the right time to be our 13<sup>th</sup> chancellor. Congratulations on your appointment! It was hard- and well-earned.

Come to think of it, as alumni whose mission is "free speech, academic freedom, and viewpoint diversity," we should be congratulating ourselves because we know how much the school will benefit from your leadership. It's already been happening since the first day of your watch.

As recently published in the *Carolina Alumni Review*, you said, "The role of the chancellor is to take all views and try to do what we think is best for the university." You continue, "I certainly can promise that I'm always going to listen and be open-mined and do my best to be reasonable and fair."

We are certain you will do that. In fact, we believe if your time as UNC's 13<sup>th</sup> chancellor is long enough, you will be among the most important and successful chancellors in Carolina history. We also commend University President Peter Hans, the Board of Governors, the Board of Trustees, Provost Chris Clemens, the Search Committee, and all the many alumni, faculty, and students who had input in this excellent appointment.

The process was shared governance the Carolina way: all voices heard to get to the right choice, while understanding it's not rules but leaders who navigate difficult times, where "people are policy." Only honesty, earned trust, common purpose, and good performance can build a highly functioning, team-oriented community, dedicated to educational excellence for the people of the State of North Carolina.

As of today, Tar Heels are in great hands!

Sincerely yours,

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