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Letter in Support of Undergraduate Research Day 2023

Welcome Students!

On behalf of the Texas Senate, I would like to welcome all of you to the 2023 Texas Undergraduate Research Day. We are pleased to recognize your hard work and efforts. This is an opportunity to highlight the contributions of undergraduate research to academia and the effect it has on our future workforce. Your perseverance in completing your research is a statement to your upstanding character. It inspires me to lead the charge on policy that supports our fine institutions of higher education.

Higher education and our state's economic future are inseparable. The foundation for a strong thriving economy begins with a strong education. It is your hard work and dedication that will attract new businesses to the state. It will keep Texas at the forefront and a leader for our country. As research students, you are the future for innovation and collaboration for our state. Together, you represent a wide variety of academic disciplines. This is a testament to the complexity and diversity of the Texas economy. Your areas of research vary, and the experience gained from your work will be invaluable as you begin your careers.

As Chairman of the Senate Committee on Education, I am committed to increasing accessibility and affordability to higher education to strengthen our state's future workforce. Your contributions to academia assist in our efforts to support a world-class higher education system comprised of universities, community colleges, and trade schools. This will ensure a generation capable of confronting the challenges ahead. I congratulate each one of you on your accomplishments and look forward to your future successes. I also want to recognize faculty members, administrators, and support staff for their tireless commitment to students across our state. Preparing our students for the future is a noble task, and each of us at the Capitol is grateful for the work they do every day.

We are honored to recognize your hard work, your dedication, and your talent. I look forward to seeing what these incredible students achieve for our future!

God bless Texas,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Brandon Creighton".

Senator Brandon Creighton
Chair, Senate Committee on Education