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Governor Sisolak's statement on Nov. 10, 2020 indicated Nevada has reached a critical stage in the COVID-19 pandemic. The Nevada System of Higher Education (NSHE) and its eight institutions must show continued leadership and be proactive as we confront this most recent resurgence of the virus. Throughout the pandemic, NSHE has emphasized the need for flexibility and has placed the health and safety of our students, faculty, and staff above all other considerations. We will continue to do so.

We are urging everyone to continue wearing masks and to adhere to all COVID-19 safety protocols as directed by state and local health officials. Whether you are on campus or in your homes please ensure that any gatherings, meetings, or events be limited to those that are small, truly essential, and cannot occur in a virtual format.

Our institutions play a vital role in the fight against COVID-19 and the safety of staff, faculty and our more than 100,000 students cannot be compromised. It has been inspiring to see how the NSHE community has answered the call to fight against COVID-19. From wearing masks and social distancing to producing test kits and conducting testing sites on our campuses, everyone has contributed positively.

We are imploring the higher education community to continue to act in the utmost safest manner in accordance with our state and local health experts and help to stop the surge.

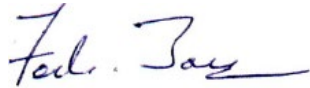
During these challenging times, we would like to thank each of you for your diligence and leadership in doing your part to keep the NSHE community and Nevada strong.

NSHE and the Board of Regents will continue working collaboratively with the Office of Governor Sisolak and all county, state, and federal health officials regarding COVID-19. The health and well-being of Nevada's public higher education community continues to be our utmost priority in this evolving situation. Together, we will get through this.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Melody Rose".

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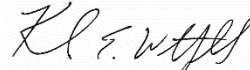
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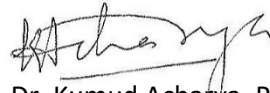
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