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**Meeting:** Board of Regents Quarterly Meeting, November 30 – December 1, 2023

Agenda Item: Workforce Committee

**In Favor / Opposed / Other:** In Favor

#### **Comment:**

I wanted to commend GBC and their current leadership for doing such an amazing job at providing real world workforce education platforms that are cost effective and efficient and ready for the workplace. The students that come from GBC are as competent and educated if not more so then many of the large universities that we hire from. Your model has also provided opportunities to students in rural areas of Nevada that would not have had these opportunities if it wasn't for your mission and dedication. Thank you! In particular the nursing program and radiology program have been top notch! A large portion of our professional employees in these areas are graduates of GBC. I'd also like to recognize Amber Donnelli for being a visionary that has worked so hard to expand GBC to so many that wouldn't have had opportunities without this expansion. She was also instrumental in working to help a number of rural hospitals be able to stay afloat due to her dedication in helping stand up working nursing programs in Ely, Winnemucca, and Pahrump. I know Amber has been promoted, and for good cause! She is incredible! She actually gets things done, versus those that just talk about good ideas with no action. I want to once again applaud the current leadership and interim leadership. Finally I'd like to just let you know that I'm not just saying this, I've got a daughter that will graduate from the sonography program at GBC, another daughter that is in the nursing program and a son that got his welding certificate all through GBC. As an individual that has graduated from 3 different colleges with a BA, MA, and PharmD, I'd put GBC up against just about any university in the country! One suggestion I'd leave with is GBC should recruit applicants that didn't get accepted into UNR and UNLV programs. I have heard

of many NV students not get in the RN program because they accept so many Californians. If these students knew there was such a great program in NV they might apply.

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