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Chair, Board of Governors
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Dear Roger Brandvold:

When Premier Scott Moe released *Saskatchewan's Growth Plan: The Next Decade of Growth* this past November, our province gained a roadmap that supports a strong economy, strong communities and strong families.

The Government of Saskatchewan's 2020-21 Budget is intended to take the first steps towards implementation of that plan, to help build a stronger Saskatchewan.

Like the Plan for Growth, this year's budget is the result of consultation with our stakeholders and partners – part of our ongoing work to identify priorities that we can work on together for the benefit of Saskatchewan people.

Our mutual success requires significant collaboration between post-secondary educational institutions and industry to help us ensure programming remains relevant and aligned with the current and future needs of our students, our economy and our communities. As a sector, we need to find new ways to work together in partnership to create a more integrated post-secondary system with effective pathways for students and growing international education and experiential learning opportunities.

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I am pleased to announce a government investment of \$116,580,600 in University of Regina for the 2020-21 Budget. This is an increase of \$1,382,500 from last year, and represents Saskatchewan's commitment to a quality educational system that supports the needs of our growing province. Given this increased investment, I trust that you will continue to focus on student access and affordability. The attached appendices provide additional detail about the investment and its intended uses.

During the 2020-21 fiscal year, the Ministry of Advanced Education will work with your institution to identify Growth Plan and budget-related reporting requirements as we strive to improve our accountability and performance framework for the post-secondary sector.

Post-secondary education is vital to a strong and growing Saskatchewan. Thank you for your commitment to meeting the needs of our students and Saskatchewan employers. I look forward to our ongoing work together.

Sincerely,



Tina Beaudry-Mellor
Minister of Advanced Education

Enclosure

cc: Dr. Vianne Timmons, President and Vice-Chancellor, University of Regina
Dave Button, Vice-President, Administration, University of Regina
Mark McLoughlin, Deputy Minister of Advanced Education

APPENDIX 1
Schedule of Funding
UNIVERSITY OF REGINA

Operating Grant Funding	<u>2020-21</u>	<u>2019-20</u>
Prior Year Operating Grant Funding Base	\$107,017,700	
1% Operating Grant Increase	\$ 1,068,100	
Funding Formula Shift	\$ 540,000	
<u>Targeted Funding:</u> MacKenzie Art Gallery	\$ (100,000)	
Total Operating Grant Funding	\$108,525,800	\$ 107,017,700
Other/Supplementary Facilities Funding		
French Language: Regular Funding ¹	\$ 626,900	\$ 626,900
Supplementary Funding – Facilities	\$ 1,609,000	\$ 1,722,000
Total Other/Supplementary Facilities Funding	\$ 2,235,900	\$ 2,348,900
TOTAL OPERATING AND OTHER FUNDING	\$110,761,700	\$ 109,366,600
Saskatchewan Innovation and Opportunity Scholarship (SIOS)		
Innovation and Excellence Scholarships	\$ 383,300	\$ 389,800
International Education Scholarships	\$ 42,200	\$ 42,900
Opportunity Scholarships	\$ 325,400	\$ 330,800
Total SIOS Funding	\$ 750,900	\$ 763,500
TOTAL OPERATING, OTHER AND SIOS FUNDING	\$111,512,600	\$ 110,130,100
Preventative Maintenance and Renewal Funding	\$ 5,068,000	\$ 5,068,000
OVERALL TOTAL	\$116,580,600	\$ 115,198,100

¹ Note: Regular French Language Funding - Please see Appendix 2 for details.

APPENDIX 2
Targeted Funding
UNIVERSITY OF REGINA

TARGETED OPERATING FUNDING

Nursing

Ongoing support from the Government of Saskatchewan ensures that there are 345 seats in the Saskatchewan Collaborative Bachelor of Science in Nursing program at the University of Regina to support the labour market needs of a growing province. To ensure the government's goal of delivering high-quality public services in the most efficient way, a collaborative review of registered nursing degree programs in Saskatchewan was completed and endorsed by the Minister of Advanced Education in 2018. Recommendations from the review inform the work of the Nursing Deans' Forum and includes regular labour market analysis by the Ministry of Health that informs health human resource planning.

Nurse Practitioner

The 2020-21 Budget includes \$293,600 in targeted funding for nurse practitioner seats. This includes one percent incremental funding of \$2,900 over the amount provided in 2019-20. Government has fulfilled its commitment to increase Nurse Practitioner seats from 20 to 40 in the province. The University portion of this commitment was realized in 2013-14 with the addition of 20 seats in the Collaborative Nurse Practitioner program.

Research and Innovation Centre Operating

The 2020-21 Budget includes \$1,713,900 in targeted funding related to additional space brought on-line since 2007-08. This includes one percent incremental funding of \$16,900 over the amount provided in 2019-20.

First Nations University of Canada Infrastructure

The 2020-21 Budget includes \$483,600 in targeted funding to compensate the University for infrastructure costs associated with First Nations University of Canada. This includes one percent incremental funding of \$4,700 over the amount provided in 2019-20. Funding has been provided since 2006-07 for costs related to services provided to First Nations University of Canada, such as snow removal, library usage and access to fitness facilities, with the intention that this funding would remain in place until First Nations University begins paying for these costs directly.

Computer Science

The 2020-21 Budget includes \$826,000 in targeted funding to support capacity in upper year classes in Computer Science programs. This includes one percent incremental funding of \$8,100 over the amount provided in 2019-20.

Library Outreach

The 2020-21 Budget provides \$100,000 in targeted funding for Library Outreach, as it has been since 2011-12.

Wascana Centre Authority/Provincial Capital Commission

The 2020-21 Budget includes \$259,400 in targeted funding as flow through for the Wascana Centre, now administered by the Provincial Capital Commission. This includes one percent incremental funding of \$2,600 over the amount provided in 2019-20.

Mackenzie Art Gallery

In the 2020-21 Budget, the targeted funding as flow through for the Mackenzie Art Gallery is reduced by \$100,000, and this funding has now been eliminated.

OTHER/SUPPLEMENTARY FUNDING

French Language: Regular Funding

As the next iteration of the Canada-Saskatchewan Agreement on Minority-Language Education and Second Official-Language Instruction is being finalized by both governments, the 2020-21 budget is an estimation based on the previous agreement. Once a new agreement has been finalized, the Ministry will identify the resources allocated to Le Bac and La Cité.

French Language: Complementary Funding

The Ministry will pursue its efforts to negotiate additional Complementary Funding with Canadian Heritage in 2019-20, to increase inter-institutional capacity development and foster inter-institutional collaboration so as to implement Vision 2030: Saskatchewan's Post-Secondary Education in French. In 2018-19, \$896,000 was distributed to La Cité and \$24,000 was distributed to Le Bac teacher education under this program. An application for Complementary Funding has been submitted to Canadian Heritage for La Cité for 2019-20.

Supplementary Funding – Facilities

The 2020-21 Budget includes \$1,609,000 based on estimated costs for 2020-21. This is a reduction of \$113,000 from the amount provided in 2019-20.

SCHOLARSHIP FUNDING

Saskatchewan Innovation and Opportunity Scholarship Funding

The 2020-21 Budget includes \$750,900 for the Saskatchewan Innovation and Opportunity Scholarship. Of this total \$383,300 is targeted for the Innovation and Excellence component; \$325,400 for the Opportunity component; and \$42,200 for the International Education component.

The Ministry of Advanced Education will disburse equal Saskatchewan Innovation and Opportunity Scholarship payments to your institution in October 2020 and March 2021.

Post-secondary institutions are required to report annual Saskatchewan Innovation and Opportunity Scholarship activity from July 1st to June 30th of each year and will have until July 31st to submit their reporting to the ministry. Institutions are to advise the Ministry in

writing by June 30th of their priorities for scholarships over the upcoming year and include the areas of study and student categories the institution will focus on.

Annual allocations are subject to budget appropriation and will be based on each institution's ability to match funds in the previous year. The Ministry will revisit the Saskatchewan Innovation and Opportunity Scholarship reporting and fundraising progress with all institutions prior to the 2021-22 Budget.

CAPITAL FUNDING

Preventative Maintenance and Renewal

The 2020-21 Budget includes \$5,068,000 in Preventative Maintenance and Renewal funding for the University of Regina.