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Honorable Florence Shapiro, Chair Senate Committee on Education
Honorable Senate Committee Members

Senators:

I would like to take this opportunity to express the support of the City of Lancaster for the advancement of the University of North Texas at Dallas, and specifically the establishment of a Law School in Dallas. As our region grows, the importance of options for higher education is without question. The expansion of the University of North Texas at Dallas is paramount in preparing the residents of this region, in addition to, attracting the brightest minds from elsewhere to compete on a global level. To that end, the University of North Texas Law School can achieve a myriad of benefits for the region, ranging from economic development to higher quality of life.

As a fellow elected official, I am constantly reminded of the responsibility to advance the needs of those I represent. I assure you and your legislative colleagues that the authorization of Senate Bill 956 is equally imperative for our region, as it is for the State of Texas.

Regards,

Marcus E. Knight
Mayor
Lancaster, Texas