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An open letter to the friends of New Mexico State University

I want to thank each of the NMSU faculty, staff and students, as well as the community, business and political leaders from around the state who have spoken in support of my leadership during my tenure at New Mexico State University.

This support has been overwhelming, and I am truly grateful for your kind words and your confidence in my abilities. I've tried to personally thank as many supporters as I can, but I don't want to miss anyone. Therefore, I am writing this open letter to the friends of New Mexico State University.

A sign in my office says NMSU is my happy place and no truer words have ever been said. I first came here as a student in 1957. This is where I met my wife and where I earned my bachelor's and master's degrees. I also had the privilege to serve NMSU as a faculty member, a dean, the vice president for economic development and for the past four years as this university's chancellor.

As I've stated before, my focus has been and always will be to do what's best for NMSU. We'll keep our shoulder to the wheel and continue our good work for this great university over the next 10 months until my retirement. The statement that NMSU is a caring community, transforming lives through discovery is a tagline developed during my administration and is consistently demonstrated by all. I always knew I had support, but I didn't realize how broad and deep that backing was.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Garrey Carruthers', with a long, sweeping underline.

Garrey Carruthers
NMSU Chancellor and President