

## OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

March 30, 2020

Dear UNE Community,

It is with a heavy heart that I write to inform you that we have made the difficult but necessary decision to postpone the University's commencement events. This is not a decision we make lightly, but the safety of our students, their loved ones, and our faculty and professional staff must be our highest priority.

Plans are underway to celebrate the Class of 2020 at a later date this year. We know how important it is for our graduates to commemorate their achievement with their family members, their friends, and the members of our community who have played integral roles in their education. We remain committed to providing them with the type of celebration their accomplishment deserves.

More information will be forthcoming about these plans. In the meantime, please know that I miss you all and am more thankful than ever for the enduring spirit of our community.

Sincerely,

James D. Herbert President