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Dear TSU Campus Family,

I am excited to share news about a significant student-led initiative that will elevate the voices of our students—Speak TSU: Your Roar, Our Ears. This program, established by our student leaders to enhance the student experience at TSU, comes amid my First 100 Days as Interim President and our ongoing Trajectory Change Initiative (TCI). A critical component of the TCI involves doing more to be more. However, we must also do more listening to be more responsive in enhancing the TSU Student Experience.

As faculty, staff, and administrators, it is our collective responsibility to fully embrace this new initiative. Speak TSU aims to provide a robust platform for our students to share their concerns, challenges, and perspectives, ensuring that all issues are promptly addressed by the appropriate university offices. By actively engaging with this initiative, we will not only improve our service delivery but also reinforce the TSU brand as a leader in customer service and student communications.

I want to commend our student leaders for their vision and hard work in creating Speak TSU. I also extend my gratitude to all campus stakeholders who are committed to the success of this important initiative. Together, as we strive toward our common goal of sustaining a Future-Ready TSU, Speak TSU will serve as a vital tool in amplifying the student voice and driving meaningful change across our campus.

I encourage all students to take full advantage of the Speak TSU platform to share their insights and feedback. Likewise, I call upon our entire campus community to listen with intent and act with urgency in addressing the concerns brought forward. For more details on this student initiative, please visit www.tnstate.edu/speaktsu.

Our students are the heart of Tennessee State University. By empowering their voices through Speak TSU, we will strengthen our institution and continue to do more to be more—delivering an even more exceptional educational experience.

Think, Work, and Serve.

Sincerely,

Ronald A. Johnson, PhD

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