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To the Franklin College Community,

I am thrilled to congratulate our student scholars on their achievements highlighted at Franklin College's first Scholar's Day. On a campus that engages students in many different ways and provides a myriad of experiences, our primary shared goal is the pursuit of knowledge. As you have been guided by talented and dedicated faculty members through the projects we celebrate today, you have learned to investigate, synthesize, analyze and contextualize data and information which inform sound, reasoned conclusions. You are now better equipped to pursue theories, explore strategies and arrive at solutions—the scholarly skills which ultimately create progress in all walks of life.

Our mission is to ensure that a Franklin College education fosters independent thinking, innovation, leadership and action for ever-changing professions and a globally connected world. Today's celebration of Scholar's Day reflects every aspect of that mission. The demands, challenges and rewards of your research experience help prepare you to fulfill the promise that Franklin graduates will ask the right questions, pursue the best answers and lead from a position of intellectual strength.

Congratulations to our students and their faculty mentors, true scholars all.

With admiration,



Kerry N. Prather
President