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**Message from the Chancellor**

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Dear Colleagues:

Let me say that it has been my honor and privilege to serve as your Chancellor. So, today, I bring a bittersweet message. It is now time for Lisa and me to move on to our next adventure! Effective June 30, 2020, I will be retiring as Chancellor of the University of North Carolina at Charlotte.

This was not an easy decision for us. UNC Charlotte is a special place, with wonderful faculty and staff colleagues and talented students. And the same can be said of this wonderful city, which we have watched grow and develop in size and stature. But the time is right for us to make this transition. We have accomplished what we set out to do here. And, on the personal side, we have recently celebrated the birth of our twin grandsons, Brooks and Leo. We are looking forward to spending more time with family, traveling, and checking off a few more items on our bucket lists.

I am grateful to have had the pleasure of serving this great University for nearly 21 years, first as Provost for five and a half years and then as Chancellor for 15 years upon my retirement. Building on the foundation that was laid by my predecessors, and working alongside incredibly dedicated and talented Boards of Trustees, my leadership team, faculty, staff, and students, I am extremely proud of the phenomenal things that we have accomplished together. A copy of the formal announcement that will be released to the media is posted on [Inside UNC Charlotte](#).

I am announcing my retirement now to give the Board of Trustees, Interim President Roper, and the Board of Governors ample time to conduct a national search for my successor, the fifth Chancellor. I will continue to lead the campus over the next year, and look forward to accomplishing the goals that my leadership team and I have set. We will be busy!

It has been an extraordinary journey for me to serve as Chancellor of UNC Charlotte and for Lisa to serve as its First Lady. Leading this campus and working with such wonderful people has been an experience of a lifetime. When we pass the torch, I am confident that the best is yet to come for this great University!

Cordially,

Philip L. Dubois  
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