



TEXAS TECH UNIVERSITY HEALTH SCIENCES CENTER
Senate Resolution 23.23

(Stating the sentiments of the TTUHSC Student Senate regarding congratulating Ron Cook D.O.
on his work as the TTUHSC Chief Health Officer)

WHEREAS, The Chief Health Officer role is a critical position in the TTUHSC and plays a significant role on the TTUHSC President's Cabinet by advising the president on any subject related to the duties of the Chief Health Officer which has meaningful implications for the entire TTUHSC community and positively contributes to the TTUHSC values based culture; and,

WHEREAS, Dr. Cook encompasses the TTUHSC values of innovation and collaboration through his work as Co-Director of the Family Medicine Accelerated Track at the TTUHSC, helping future physicians discover their passion for service and hone their clinical skills for optimal patient care; and,

WHEREAS, Dr. Cook embodies the TTUHSC value of kindhearted by always going above and beyond to encourage students, advance student experiences, and promote the wellbeing of the entire TTUHSC community with a kind heart and positive attitude as demonstrated by his previous commitment to his greater Lubbock community through his service as the Local Health Authority where he educated the public on social distancing practices and the safety and efficacy of the COVID-19 vaccine during the COVID-19 pandemic; and,

WHEREAS, Dr. Cook promotes the TTUHSC value of visionary by continuously nurturing innovative ideas, resiliency, and a pioneering spirit which is evident through his previous service as the Braddock Chairman of the TTUHSC Department of Family and Community Medicine; and,

WHEREAS, Dr. Cook's long-standing service to the TTUHSC institution exhibits the TTUHSC value of beyond service through the way he creates and delivers positive and defining moments for the TTUHSC-wide community by always investing in the inclusion, well-being, empowerment, and success of all TTUHSC members in a way that exudes excellence; and,

WHEREAS, Dr. Cook demonstrates the TTUHSC principles of honesty, integrity, and empathy in providing excellent service, bedside manner to his patients and collaborative interdisciplinary team, as is evidenced by many positive reports from previous patients and students under his direction; and,

WHEREAS, the field of medicine consists of individuals who make it their life's goal and dedication to serving others through kind-heartedness and integrity, and Dr. Cook is no doubt one of these individuals which can be seen through his history of being Chief Resident of the TTUHSC Lubbock Family Medicine residency program and his completion of the Program Director Fellowship at the National Institute of Program Director Development; and, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Student Senate of TTUHSC congratulates Dr. Cook on his outstanding leadership, continued service to the TTUHSC community, and dedication to the position of the TTUHSC Chief Health Officer; and therefore,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this resolution be spread upon the Journal and that copies be sent to **Lori-Rice Spearman Ph.D.**, *President of Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center*; **Darrin D'Agostino, D.O., MPH, MBA.**, *Provost and Chief Academic Officer*; **John DeToledo M.D.**, *School of Medicine Interim Dean*; **Coleman Johnson JD**, *Chief of Staff, President's Cabinet*; **Penny Harkey**, *Executive Vice President of Finance and Operations, President's Cabinet*; **Bryce McGregor, MBA**, *Interim Executive Vice President of Clinical Affairs, President's Cabinet*; **Billy U. Philips, Jr., PHD, MPH**, *Executive Vice President, F. Marie Hall Institute for Rural and Community Health, President's Cabinet*; **Arianna Flores**, *Editor-in-Chief of The Daily Toreador*, and to the students of Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center.

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