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TO: Faculty Senate

FROM: Elizabeth S. Chilton, Provost and Executive Vice President fluith

SUBJECT: Create a Bachelor of Science in Pharmaceutical and Medical Sciences

DATE: October 25, 2022

The attached proposal to create a Bachelor of Science in Pharmaceutical and Medical Sciences degree has been reviewed by the Provost's Office. We support the proposal.

Please note, the proposal is a collaborative effort between the College of Pharmacy and Pharmaceutical Sciences (CPPS) and the Elson S. Floyd College of Medicine (ESFCOM). It is exceedingly rare in the United States for an undergraduate student to be able to take courses in any discipline of pharmaceutical sciences (pharmacology, medicinal chemistry, pharmaceutics). There is a single program on the West Coast (UC Irvine) and a smattering of programs on the East Coast that provide undergraduate education in pharmaceutical sciences. However, we know of no other program in the country that is similar to the program proposed herein, which will provide undergraduate education in both the pharmaceutical and medical sciences. CPPS and ESFCOM are excited about the potential to create a unique and highly reputable program in this area.

We judge the proposal ready for the Senate review process.