Letter from Dr. Li

It is truly a pleasure to introduce the fifth issue of *The Measure*, the journal that showcases the academic achievements of our undergraduate students in the College of Humanities and Social Sciences (CHSS) at Sam Houston State University. CHSS faculty and administration have set the goal to promote undergraduate research, a well-recognized high-impact practice that helps students develop critical skills in writing, critical thinking, data analysis, and information evaluation. The editing and publication of the current volume during the pandemic signify our unwavering commitment to student success, and the quality of the essays further testifies the resilience of our students who are undeterred by external challenges when pursuing academic excellence.

While we celebrate the professional accomplishments of our students, we would also like to recognize the contributions of their faculty mentors, whose guidance and encouragement are instrumental for the success of these projects. Although the published essays are only a small sample of the hard work of our faculty and students, there is no doubt that their passion for collaborative research and scholarship will continue to inspire future generations of young scholars.

In closing, I would like to thank the Executive Editor Dr. Carroll Nardone, the editorial staff, and the Faculty Review Board for their outstanding service and contribution. It would not have been possible without their deep commitment to undergraduate research.

Sincerely,

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