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Dear President Qiu,

On behalf of the University of Alberta, I offer my sincere congratulations to you, all faculty members, staff and students at Tsinghua University for its 110th anniversary. As one of the world's great universities, Tsinghua has cultivated numerous talents with its vision and traditions, contributing to the discovery of knowledge and innovation for more than a century.

The collaboration in student mobility and joint research between the U of A and Tsinghua goes back more than 20 years. I am very proud of our shared research excellence in clean energy, environment, energy policy, transportation, and other global challenges. Our Joint Research Centre for Future Energy and Environment has become a centrepiece of our collaboration.

Sharing our knowledge, research, and technology is one of the best ways for us to address the universal challenges we face—to help slow climate change and mitigate its effects—to transform our cities, protect our environments, and secure sustainable energy for people across the planet. Together we nurture diverse perspectives, unique approaches, and an expansive pool of knowledge and expertise. Out of these collaborations come great discoveries that improve the lives of people in both China and Canada.

Once again, please accept my heartfelt congratulations as we look forward to greater engagement and collaboration in the future. I hope your anniversary event is a great success, and I wish you all the best in the future.

Yours truly,



Bill Flanagan
President and Vice-Chancellor

cc: Dr. Cen Huang, Vice-Provost and Associate Vice-President (International)