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Professor QIU Yong President Tsinghua University

Dear Professor QIU Yong,

I am pleased to send my heartfelt congratulations to you on Tsinghua University's 110th anniversary.

Universities serve as engines for nations' progress. Over the course of your history, Tsinghua has been leading China's technological innovation and trained countless young talents to contribute to China's modernization. It is very impressive to see how Tsinghua has grown to become a world-class institution.

Universities are also gateways to connect cultures and peoples. As Canada's educational gateway to Asia, UBC recognizes our valuable and fruitful cooperation with Tsinghua. Our collaboration in the past two decades has spun many disciplines and demonstrated to be mutually beneficial. Many of UBC's top scholars have received their education at Tsinghua. Through joint teaching, student exchange, and research collaboration, our scholars and students have found deep friendship at Tsinghua. These people-to-people connections have become invaluable assets of friendly relations between our two countries. We want to work with Tsinghua to expand these collaborations, especially on issues of global relevance, to enhance further the academic and cultural exchange between Canada and China.

Congratulations to Tsinghua once again on reaching this milestone. On behalf of UBC, and personally, please accept our sincere congratulations to Tsinghua's faculty members, students, staff and alumni around the world. I look forward to the many more years of continuous collaboration ahead.

Happy 110th anniversary, Tsinghua!

With warm wishes,

Santa J. Ono President and Vice-Chancellor