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From the Desk of the Student Body President

As I reflect upon last week’s events in honor of the fifteenth president of Baylor University, Dr. Linda A. Livingstone, I am encouraged by the welcoming spirit of our Baylor family. It was a delight to join with friends and colleagues at events like the Inauguration Dr. Pepper Hour and Family Dinner with the Livingstones, and it was an honor to bring a message of welcome on behalf of the student body at Thursday’s Installation Ceremony.

When I consider how special this moment is in our university’s history, I am reminded of the words of our eighth President, Samuel Palmer Brooks. In his Immortal Message, Brooks instructs the Baylor family to "Build upon the foundations here the great school of which I have dreamed, so that she may touch and mold the lives of future generations and help to fit them for life here and hereafter."

Baylor has undoubtedly changed since Brooks’ remarks. Our campus has expanded and our family has grown year by year. We have learned from our trials and we have rejoiced with each other in our triumphs. The faithfulness of those who have gone before us to build upon the foundations of our great university has been a constant through these 172 years.

As Baylor University Student Government looks forward to this new chapter, we are excited to continue strengthening our ties with Dr. Livingstone’s administration. In doing so, we hope to provide further insight into the student experience and identify ways we can work together to build a better Baylor.

Now, as we continue to build upon the foundations of our great university under the direction of Dr. Linda Livingstone, let us once again lean into the words of Samuel Palmer Brooks who said, “Do not face the future with timidity nor with fear. Face it boldly, courageously, joyously. Have faith in what it holds.” We have courage in Dr. Livingstone’s leadership and we have faith that the best is yet to come for our beloved University.

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