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January 13, 2023

Dr. John Will
President
Northwood Technical College
1900 College Drive
Rice Lake, WI 54868.

Dear President Will:

This letter serves as formal notification and official record of action taken concerning Northwood Technical College by the Institutional Actions Council (IAC) of the Higher Learning Commission (HLC) at its meeting on January 10, 2023. The date of this action constitutes the effective date of the institution's new status with HLC.

Action with Interim Monitoring. IAC continued the accreditation of Northwood Technical College with the next Reaffirmation of Accreditation in 2032-33. In conjunction with this action, IAC required the following interim monitoring.

Interim Report. An Interim Report due 1/12/2024 to address the processes it has put in place for ensuring that all campus faculty are appropriately qualified and that those qualifications are regularly reviewed.

Interim Report. An Interim Report due 1/10/2025 to show progress in responding to the perceived lack of a shared governance culture, and to identify a model relevant to the culture of the College. This report to include evidence of explorations of various models; a decision-making template/flow-chart that substantiates value and meaning of stakeholders; and a structured training process for new and veteran board members.

Embedded Report. An Interim Report in the next Year 4 Assurance Review in 2026-2027 on assessment, to include course-level, program-level, and institution-level data collection and utilization; co-curricular data collection and utilization processes that produce actionable data leading to improvement strategies to support student learning; and clear connections drawn between course, program and institutional level assessment data and collection and utilization processes to support student learning as part of the annual program review process.

In taking this action, the IAC considered materials from the most recent evaluation and the institutional response (if applicable) to the evaluation findings.

In two weeks, this action will be added to the *Institutional Status and Requirements (ISR) Report*, a resource for the institution to review and manage information regarding its accreditation relationship. Chief Executive Officers and Accreditation Liaison Officers may download the ISR Report in Canopy at <https://canopy.hlcommission.org>.

Within the next 30 days, HLC will also publish information about this action on its website at <https://www.hlcommission.org/Student-Resources/recent-actions>.

If you have any questions about these documents after viewing them, please contact the institution's staff liaison, Linnea Stenson. Your cooperation in this matter is appreciated.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Barbara Gellman-Danley".

Barbara Gellman-Danley
President

cc: Susan Yohnk Lockwood, Accreditation Liaison Officer
Linnea Stenson, HLC Staff Liaison