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Dr. Ryan Tipton Interim President University of the Southwest 6610 N. Lovington Hwy. Hobbs, NM 88240

Dear Interim President Tipton:

This letter serves as formal notification and official record of action taken concerning University of the Southwest (the institution) by the Institutional Actions Council (IAC) of the Higher Learning Commission (HLC) at its meeting on April 29, 2024. The date of this action constitutes the effective date of the institution's new status with HLC.

**Action.** IAC continued the accreditation of University of the Southwest with the next Reaffirmation of Accreditation in 2033-34.

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 <a href="https://canopy.hlcommission.org">https://canopy.hlcommission.org</a>.

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, Tom Bordenkircher. Your cooperation in this matter is appreciated.

Sincerely,

Barbara Gellman-Danley

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cc: Brianna Lopez, Accreditation Liaison Officer

Tom Bordenkircher, HLC Staff Liaison