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PRESIDENT'S OFFICE

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Kansas Board of Regents
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To Whom It May Concern

Re: Barton County Community College Cosmetology Program

I respectfully submit this letter of support for reinstatement of the Barton County Community College Cosmetology Program. I had the distinct honor of serving approximately eight years as an advisory board member for the former program at Barton County Community College. As a cosmetologist in Great Bend who served on the advisory board and attended the monthly advisory council meetings I can certainly attest to the loss of trained cosmetologists not only in Great Bend but also in the State of Kansas. Providing our women and men with an education in the field of cosmetology will provide a viable opportunity for a career that can benefit both the communities in which they reside and also the state of Kansas.

There are a number of areas that would be served by reinstatement of the program. The need for mandatory continuing education in cosmetology could be met at Barton County Community College. By meeting this need the program would bring cosmetologists to Barton County Community College which could also bring business to the community resulting in economic advantages to both entities.

I have worked in the cosmetology profession for over forty-five years and have had the opportunity to employ and expand training of graduates of the program. I strongly believe the students should

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be educated and trained for success, not failure. In order to accomplish this mission it is imperative the students are provided with the best and most comprehensive education possible. As the program is considered for reinstatement a most crucial consideration should be taken into account and that is to provide a modified business curriculum within the cosmetology program. The core coursework should provide instruction in business courses that support cosmetologist to include but not limited to: Retailing, Inventory, Business Management, Principles of Business Communication, People Skills, Dealing with Difficult Customers and Computer Skills

Thank you for the opportunity to share my thoughts regarding the Barton County Community College Cosmetology Program and please accept this letter of support for reinstatement of the program.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads 'Nancy Lang'. The signature is fluid and cursive.

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