April 15, 2020

The Honorable Zora Mulligan
Commissioner
Missouri Department of Higher Education and Workforce Development
205 Jefferson Street
P.O. Box 1469
Jefferson City, MO 65102

RE: Letter of Intent, Statewide Mission for Northwest Missouri State University

Dear Commissioner Mulligan:

Please accept this letter of intent regarding Northwest Missouri State University’s application for statewide mission. It is our understanding this action will serve as notification to the Coordinating Board of Higher Education for initial consideration at an upcoming meeting.

Northwest is applying for the following statewide mission designations: statewide mission in educator preparation, emergency disaster management, agriculture, and profession-based learning. Northwest appreciates the opportunity to highlight our unique academic strengths, and we believe our application packet will demonstrate sufficient evidence to successfully carry out such statewide missions.

Established in 1905, Northwest Missouri State University is focused on student success – every student, every day. Our faculty, staff, leadership, and Board of Regents are steadfast in adhering to that mission and strive every day to bring it – academically, organizationally, fiscally, and culturally. This attitude of excellence has allowed Northwest to develop well beyond its humble beginnings of a state teachers college and transform into a multidiscipline, broad-based institution of higher education serving the citizens of Missouri. We are excited to leverage this progress and development into a statewide mission that bridges a critical gap in Missouri’s workforce development.

If you have any questions regarding this letter of intent or our broader process of applying for statewide mission, please do not hesitate to contact me directly at (660) 562-1110 or johnj@nwmissouri.edu. Thank you for your assistance to date, and we look forward to the Coordinating Board’s support in the near future.

Sincerely,

Dr. John Jasinski
President