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Dear Friends and Associates in our Community:

At Central Dallas Ministries, our board, administration and staff consider education to be the pathway out of poverty and on toward an enriched future. We believe that any enlightened society supports those goals in as many ways as possible.

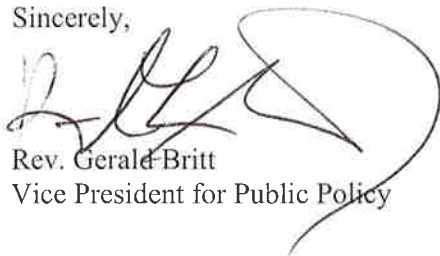
For 137 years, Paul Quinn College has met the challenge of helping first generation, low income and minority students achieve this goal. Under the leadership of its president, Michael Sorrell, Paul Quinn College has taken many significant strides to continue along this path.

Central Dallas Ministries supports President Sorrell, Paul Quinn students and faculty in their determination to continue the college's rich, historic and vital legacy. We believe that this school is an institution of which Dallas can be proud and which should be given every opportunity to overcome the obstacles that now stand in the way of realized the success we know it can and will achieve.

We therefore support Paul Quinn's appeal to the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools' recent vote to deny Paul Quinn College accreditation and we join others in asking that the SACS reverse its accreditation decision.

We proudly stand with Paul Quinn College and its leadership in this present struggle to realize future opportunities for excellence in higher education.

Sincerely,



Rev. Gerald Britt
Vice President for Public Policy



Larry M. James
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