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**JOINT STATEMENT OF
PACIFIC NORTHWEST UNIVERSITY OF HEALTH SCIENCES
AND ZACHARY FEATHERSTONE**

Yakima, WA - Pacific Northwest University (PNWU) and Zachary Featherstone are pleased to announce that the lawsuit pending between them has been resolved and, by mutual agreement, dismissed. Mr. Featherstone has successfully completed his second year of medical school at PNWU's College of Osteopathic Medicine (COM) and is looking forward to beginning his third year with clinical rotations.

The University will continue in its mission to educate students to serve the medical needs of rural and underserved communities throughout the Northwest. Dr. Keith Watson, President of the University, stated that, "PNWU is committed to supporting Mr. Featherstone as he embarks on his next two years of osteopathic medical education and wishes him great success." Mr. Featherstone expressed that he is pleased with the resolution and said that as he enters the next phase of his medical education he remains committed to making PNWU proud to have him as a student and joining the growing ranks of deaf and hard of hearing medical professionals. "I have wanted to be a doctor my entire adult life and am dedicated to completing my studies at PNWU and caring for underserved populations including the Deaf community."

The parties are proud of the University's commitment to educating all qualified students and providing compassionate instruction for each student moving forward.