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To the Houston County Class of 2020:

The high school principals collectively extend our sincere congratulations to you as you come to your high school graduation. This is a milestone of which you should be proud, having met many challenges to advance to the new opportunities before you.

We know this year did not culminate in ways you had hoped, missing spring sports, prom, awards programs, and many other events. You are not “finishing” in a traditional or expected way, but you are finishing with unmatched strength and grace. While this year presented unusual and unforeseen obstacles, you have shown great resilience, strength, character, and unity in a time of uncertainty. Booker T. Washington said, “Success is to be measured not so much by the position that one has reached in life as by the obstacles which he has overcome while trying to succeed.” You are overcomers, who are accomplished in ways that make your families, your community, and your schools proud.

Your class was born into a world in the midst of 9-11 results, and you are graduating in a world in the midst of a pandemic. That world, though, is in need of your talents, your skills, your creativity, and your passion. We have no doubt the Class of 2020 will continue to make history. You will continue to define your legacy. You will continue to make your family and your community proud.

We look forward to joining you in commemorating your graduation! This an occasion to celebrate, and we are excited to be able to recognize your achievement. We are proud of your perseverance, dedication, and tenacity. If there is any group of multi-talented, intelligent, caring, and strong individuals who can rise and succeed, it is you. Congratulations!

Most sincerely,

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