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Mr. Jared R. Gilmore
8060 Spencer Hwy
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Dear Mr. Gilmore:

Thank you for sharing the concerns collected from the "Facebook" open survey and the information attributed to the Alcorn State University's students obtained from the ASU Houston Alumni Charter. Although the concerns are provided as "concerns declared by Alcorn students" and others, the comments are diverse, broad and cover a wide array of issues ranging from operational, policy, and management of Alcorn, including faculty and staff HR issues. We are appreciative of the information provided and will seek to obtain more details about the concerns.

Dr. Gerald Peoples, Vice President for Student Affairs and the Student Affairs staff have designed a campus based forum to encourage all students to present and address concerns that impact the quality of the student living environment and the delivery of educational services and instruction. The process is very extensive, well received by the students and has led to improvements on campus.

Dr. Richard Green, Vice President for Academic Affairs, has appointed an Academic Program Review Committee to assess the effectiveness of all academic programs and services. The information obtained will be extremely helpful as changes are made to improve the quality of Alcorn's offerings. Mr. Kevin Appleton, Vice President for Finance and Administrative Services, and Mr. Stephen McDaniel, Vice President for Development and Marketing, have been engaged in special activities designed to enhance the operation of the University. The deliberations of the Budget Advisory Council, representing a cross-section of the University, are addressing critical budget issues and efforts are under way to create a unified marketing strategy that will improve the branding of Alcorn State University.

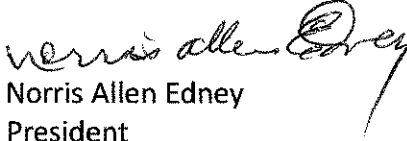
Alcorn is a diverse community of over 3,300 students all of whom are important to the University family. We welcome the free exchange of ideas and encourage thorough and objective debate of the issues. We have several means of gathering information from students and other members of the ASU community and will use them to seek information that will lead to the improved functioning of the university.

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Also, the university will actively seek additional opportunities to engage students, faculty and staff members as well as alumni in discussions and activities that are designed to lead to an enhanced healthy and productive living and learning environment at Alcorn State University. We are committed to our mission, values and more positive educational outcomes.

Again, your interest in the functioning of Alcorn State University is very much appreciated and the university welcomes input from the ASU alumni. Please feel free to contact me and other members of the administration if you have additional concerns.

Sincerely,


Norris Allen Edney
President