## BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS GULF COUNTY, FLORIDA

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October 22, 2019

Dear Triumph Board Members,

As chairman of the Gulf County Board of County Commissioners, I am writing to express the Board's support of the application that is being submitted by Gulf Coast State College to expand the capacity of the Gulf Franklin Campus (GFC) in Port St Joe in order to increase the enrollment in the nursing programs offered at the campus.

This application, *The Nursing Simulation Center at the Gulf Franklin Campus* will enable the GFC to expand the capacity of the campus and increase the enrollment by 340 students thus reducing/eliminating the wait list of students wishing to enroll in either the Certified Nursing Assistant Program, the Practical Nursing Program, or the LPN-ADN Bridge Program.

Our Board is very supportive of this request because we recognize the demand for qualified nurses, and we know that the starting salaries for graduates of these nursing programs will have a significant positive impact on the individuals and their community.

We are also very pleased with the creation of the Nursing Simulation Center at the GFC and the plan to give local hospitals and care centers access to the simulation equipment and training.

Again, we are extremely supportive of this application and the benefits it will provide our citizens and the community overall. Please contact me if you have any questions or need additional information.

Sandy Quinn, Chairman

Sincerely

**Gulf County Board of County Commissioners**