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Board Chair Statement to CHTOP Staff

Good Day Everyone,

I would like to commend CHTOP staff in all programs for the work you are doing. On behalf of the CHTOP Board of Directors, I extend our full support to program leadership for their ongoing efforts to maintain services to children, families, and the community in these tough times.

The Board of Directors values our staff, parents and children as individuals. It has not been easy for our local and national programs to realign program services and operations to continue serving our community. Providing services during this pandemic has presented us with challenging decisions about operations. We will continue to have discussions and make decisions that we could never have imagined if we were asked to do so a year ago.

As we enter into the 2020-2021 program year, please remember our mission is, *"To educate and empower children, families, communities, and organizations by delivering unique educational and supportive services."* CHTOP staff are an important part of our ability to meet the needs of those we serve.

We will do our best to support overall program operations, program staff, families and community agencies and partners based on guidance from funders, health and governing authorities. How we deliver services may look different as we start the new service year. It may look different for many months to come, and it may never go back to being like what we did in the past. That's ok. We can be resilient and we can adjust.

The passion that has driven the work of CHTOP is stronger now. That passion pushes us today and will push us tomorrow. We need our passionate, dedicated CHTOP staff to be here to continue serving children, families and our community.

Thank you!

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