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Board of Regents Response to Governor's Condition of the State Speech

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The Board of Regents would like to commend Governor Terry Branstad for his Condition of the State Speech today and thank him for his continued support of Iowa's public universities.

We are extremely pleased the Governor's budget proposal for Fiscal Year 2014 includes the necessary funding to enable the Board of Regents to freeze tuition rates for in-state undergraduate students next fall. This is a tremendous win for Iowa's students and families and the Board is committed to working with the General Assembly to ensure these funds are approved.

In particular, the Board would like to thank the Governor for including the special appropriation for the University of Northern Iowa, and for continued support for the Regent Innovation Fund. This fund is enabling Iowa's public universities to bring new technologies to market faster, as well as helping Iowa's communities reach their full economic potential.

Finally, we are grateful the Governor recognized the importance of providing state funding for need-based financial aid to Iowa students attending the public universities. We will continue to advocate for a solution that allows the Regent universities to provide the assistance necessary to keep college affordable for Iowa students.

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