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As President of Jackson State University, I am delighted to extend a warm welcome to all participants of the *Fourteenth International Symposium on Recent Advances in Environmental Health Research* scheduled for September 10 through 13, 2017 at the Marriott Hotel in Jackson, Mississippi. We are happy to have



you in our capital city for this conference series, which brings together environmental and biomedical scientists, and public health specialists to help address the major environmental and human health challenges of the 21st century.

As all of us are aware, the world is facing a wide range of environmental issues such as global climate change, water and food contamination, and air pollution that may have potential devastating effects on human health and the environment. Building upon the success of the thirteen previous conferences, the *Fourteenth International Symposium* will serve as a forum for interdisciplinary communication among environmental and biomedical scientists interested in bringing about global solutions to complex societal issues.

This year's symposium will provide an excellent opportunity to share new knowledge and discuss the latest advancements in environmental health and biomedical research. I commend the JSU College of Science, Engineering and Technology for bringing together a vast array of world experts to network and share innovative ideas and to discuss strategic ways to address global environmental health challenges.

Co-sponsored by the National Institute on Minority Health and Health Disparities at the National Institutes of Health, U.S. Department of Education Title III Program; and Jackson State University, the symposium promises to be enjoyable, informative, and content-rich. We have planned an outstanding program featuring distinguished speakers, platform and poster presentations, and scientific workshops.

Thank you for your support as we endeavor to address global environmental and human health challenges. On behalf of the Jackson State family, I extend my best wishes for a very successful symposium.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "William B. Bynum Jr." with a stylized flourish at the end.
William B. Bynum Jr., Ph.D.
President