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Dear ARCS[®] Members and Guests,

Welcome to Salt Lake City for the 2014 ARCS[®] Foundation National Meeting. We are pleased the State of Utah was selected as the host this year. I am also proud that my wife, Jeanette, is an honorary member of the Utah ARCS Chapter.

We are excited the University of Utah's College of Engineering and Moran Eye Center have formed a strategic partnership with ARCS. It demonstrates their deep commitment to invest in and support talented students, scholars, and scientists in Utah, who advance science, engineering, technology, and medicine not only in the United States but throughout the world. Indeed, like ARCS Foundation members, we recognize that our country's future lies in new ideas born in the labs and explored in the fields of scientific research, which require well-educated scientists and engineers.

I express our deep appreciation to ARCS Foundation and its many private and public partners locally and nationally for embracing a spirit of cooperation to provide funding for critical projects and initiatives that ensure the United States continues to be competitive in the global economy today and in the future. Particularly, I commend efforts to build the STEM Pipeline, with 6,200 ARCS scholars helping teach and mentor K-12 students, so they are prepared to pursue careers in scientific research and technology development. As Henry Ford said, "Coming together is a beginning; keeping together is progress; working together is success."

During your visit, I encourage you to plan a trip to The Mighty 5[®] national parks in our state. You can hike to the incredible sandstone natural bridges at Arches, roam through the hoodoo forest of stone in Bryce Canyon, rove around the Canyonlands backcountry, comb Capitol Reef for ancient petroglyphs, and meander along the Narrows or ascend to the Angels Landing at Zion, as you wonder at the majesty of the Great White Throne. You will also discover Life Elevated experiences in the bustling Salt Lake City metropolitan area at our many museums, sports and arts venues, world-class shopping districts, and a bevy of fine restaurants. Utah's beautiful mountain resorts and Olympic venues are also conveniently nearby.

Best wishes for a successful conference and an unforgettable visit in Utah.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Gary R. Herbert".

Gary R. Herbert
Governor