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Dear Murray

Thank you for submitting the Unitec Institute of Technology (Unitec) 2018 annual report. I have now presented this to the House.

I enjoyed reading about Unitec's achievements and success in 2018. In particular, the increase of enrolments in the Unitec Pathways College, where secondary school students enrolled in vocational pathways rose by 49 percent. It is pleasing to see that the dedication of Unitec's staff contributes to the success of 4,684 learners graduating, with 85 percent of those graduates entering further study or work.

I also note that in 2019 Unitec is continuing to implement changes through the Renewal Plan in an effort to address performance challenges and to better support academic delivery and student success.

I acknowledge that 2018 has represented a period of uncertainty for Unitec and the wider ITP sector and I encourage you to continue your positive engagement with the TEC and Ministry of Education going forward.

Finally, I wish to congratulate Unitec on the achievements it has delivered in a number of areas during 2018.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'CH', representing Chris Hipkins.

Chris Hipkins
Minister of Education

cc: Merran Davis, Interim Chief Executive