MEMORANDUM

To: PVAMU Campus Community
From: Ruth J. Simmons, President
Date: June 17, 2020
Re: Juneteenth Campus Closure

Chancellor John Sharp has given permission for employees in the TAMU System who wish to do so to take June 19 off. We will, therefore, close the university on Friday for all but essential personnel. Juneteenth is the oldest nationally celebrated commemoration of the ending of slavery in the United States. Prairie View has long held traditional Juneteenth celebrations on campus to recognize the profound significance of this occasion. Unfortunately, the novel coronavirus will not allow us to host our usual events. I do hope that everyone uses this time away from the office to celebrate with your loved ones, friends and families.