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VICE-CHANCELLOR'S WEEKLY MESSAGE

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Warm greetings to you all as we begin another important week at the Fiji National University.

Last week was truly one of celebration, achievement, and reflection for our university community. We proudly graduated close to 2,000 students across various disciplines, marking another significant milestone in the lives of our graduates and their families. Watching our students cross the graduation stage reminded us all of the important role education continues to play in transforming lives, families, and communities across Fiji and the Pacific.

I sincerely thank all the Honourable Ministers who graced us with their presence during our graduation ceremonies, including the Minister for Defence and Veteran Affairs, Honourable Pio Tikoduadua, the Minister for Lands and Mineral Resources, Honourable Filimoni Vosarogo, and the Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Tourism and Civil Aviation, Honourable Viliame Gavoka. Your presence and support meant a great deal to our graduates and the University community. I thank our graduation committees, coordinators, and support teams for delivering yet another successful graduation celebration for our students and their families.

Last week we also celebrated the International Day of Plant Health 2026 at our College of Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry. I was pleased that we were joined by the Minister for Agriculture, Waterways and Sugar Industry, Honourable Tomasi Tunabuna, as we highlighted the importance of plant health, food security, sustainability,

and the critical role agriculture continue to play in our region.

This week is an important one for our students as we enter the study break period. I encourage all students to use this time wisely to prepare well for your final examinations. Take care of yourselves, remain focused, and return next week ready and confident for the examination period.

To all our academics, vinaka vakalevu for your dedication, commitment, and hard work throughout the semester. Your support continues to shape the success of our students, and I wish you all the best as you assist them in preparing for their final assessments.

I also extend my appreciation to all our staff across the University for your tireless efforts and contribution throughout the semester.

As we continue through the year, let us remain united in our purpose and commitment to excellence, service, and transformation through education.

Vinaka vakalevu and have a blessed week ahead.

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