April 30, 2021

Jax Bama Club Jacksonville Florida Alumni Chapter University of Alabama National Alumni Association

Dear Jax Bama Club,

Before I introduce myself, I want to express my sincere gratitude for your generosity in bestowing me with the *Prime F. Osborn III Endowed Scholarship*. This scholarship will surely aid me in the pursuit of my education at the University of Alabama.

My name is Taylor Schnorbus and I currently reside in Jacksonville, FL with my parents, brother, and black English Labrador: Tonya, Tom, Treyton, and Molly; respectively. My family has always been encouraging and supportive of my academic pursuit and I would not be where I am today without their loving influence. My mom is currently pursuing her doctorate in Physical Therapy and my brother is preparing for his freshmen year of high school. My dad may not work but he has encouraged me every step of the way. I love running and baking practically every desert I can find the recipe to. In the past few months, I concluded my final cross-country season, produced my last show for theatre, and performed with my school's Bollywood dance team as part of our Multi Cultural showcase. With high school on its last legs, I am looking forward to arriving in Tuscaloosa and embracing this next chapter of my life.

When I first stepped onto the University of Alabama, I was amazed by the beauty of the campus and told with my mom that I could "completely see myself studying under that tree over there". Beyond the campus itself, I was drawn by the new research going on around campus and how supportive and welcoming the faculty were to my numerous inquiries as I managed the process of deciding upon a college. As I toured the campus, it was obvious that the students loved their school and their enthusiasm for the Honors College and the opportunities provided to them was hard to ignore.

Ultimately, I decided to major in Chemical Engineering on a pre-med track in the College of Engineering while on the STEM Path to the MBA. Additionally, I will be pursuing a minor in Interdisciplinary Medical Studies through the McCollough Institute of Pre-Medical Scholars. I am looking forward to being a part of the Honors College and engaging in the numerous opportunities the University of Alabama has provided me with! I am looking to eventually apply to medical school but am unsure of my specialty at this point; although, I do have interests in neurology and cardiology. On campus, I am hoping to engage in research and study abroad

during one of my summers. I hope to join a running group, join a local church, and involve myself in a club or two on campus; albeit specifics are unknown currently.

This scholarship will enable me to focus on my education and have fewer financial worries as I pursue my academic goals. For that I am ever so grateful to this foundation! My family and I were just overwhelmed by the generosity when I opened the letter in the mail, and I honestly can not even put into words the depth of our gratitude. As an out-of-state student, the financial burdens of education are not small, and your financial contribution is much appreciated. Thank you!

Sincerely,

Taylor Nicole Schnorbus

Prime F. Osborn III Endowed Scholarship Recipient for the 2021-2022 Academic Year

Roll Tide!!