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On behalf of the Diversity, Equity and Inclusion team, faculty, staff and students of the University of Texas Arlington it is my distinct pleasure to welcome the National Intercollegiate Wheelchair Basketball Tournament-2022 NIWBT to our campus. We are honored to host the tournament and support the student athletes in pursuit of their goals.

Through adaptive sports like Wheelchair Basketball, we provide Movin' Mavs, Lady Movin' Mavs, their families and friends opportunities for ownership and meaningful engagement in the University of Texas Arlington athletic student experience. The UTA Movin' Mavs is a thriving intercollegiate program at the highest level of the sport.

Our team, their competitors and supporters alike are cornerstones in the foundation, growth and expansion of adaptive sports for collegians everywhere. With the 2022 NIWBT we celebrate not only another season of outstandingly competitive Wheelchair Basketball but the students' perseverance through a global pandemic and a national plight for equity in athletics.

Perhaps more than ever before, we have a tremendous opportunity to continue leveling the playing field in advancement of equity for athletes with disabilities everywhere. Our hope is that through review of policies, practices, procedures and resources we can remove barriers to level the field of competition and equip all student with disabilities with the resources to know first-hand the Spirit of Competition.

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