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**\*\*\*STATE SENATOR TARVER RELEASES THE FOLLOWING STATEMENT IN RESPONSE TO THE ALLEGATIONS BROUGHT AGAINST LSU MEDICAL SCHOOL IN SHREVEPORT\*\*\***

**SHREVEPORT, LA** - "In looking at the situation at Louisiana State University (LSU) Medical School in Shreveport, the LSU Baton Rouge System first tried to bring sexual harassment charges against the Shreveport Medical School, namely the Chancellor, Dr. Ghali E. Ghali. The investigation led to Dr. Ghali being cleared of all charges, but now they have come against the school with other accusations.

Upon closer examination, it is apparent that the LSU System is attempting to take the heat off of LSU Baton Rouge by casting a shadow on the LSU Medical School in Shreveport for the sole benefit of LSU Baton Rouge.

LSU Baton Rouge has never had any love for LSU Medical School in Shreveport. They act as if they care about us in Shreveport but they look at us very differently. In over twenty-eight years of serving in the State Senate, LSU Baton Rouge has never genuinely cared for North Louisiana. Right now their only concern is self-protection because the LSU System has not yet begun to touch the surface of the issues surrounding the school in Baton Rouge.

They are looking for a scapegoat and that is LSU Medical School in Shreveport. With over 20 years of service on the Senate Finance Committee, I have heard, and witnessed, many

Presidents of the LSU System refer to LSU Medical School in Shreveport as a second class citizen.

Their primary allegiance is to their precious LSU football in Baton Rouge. They have also enlisted help from people in Shreveport who have petty jealousies and personality conflicts to assist with tainting the reputation of a person that I know to be doing an excellent job at LSU Medical School in Shreveport. This is the best Chancellor we have had at the medical school since Dr. John McDonald, and by creating these unwarranted allegations they are not fairly serving the people of North Louisiana.”

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