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**GBC Student Selected as Recipient of 2016 Kenny C. Guinn Memorial Scholarship**

Carson City—State Treasurer Dan Schwartz and the Board of Trustees of the College Savings Plans of Nevada announced today that Great Basin College (GBC) senior Jessica Johnston, has been selected as the Northern Nevada recipient of the 2016 Kenny C. Guinn Memorial Scholarship. The announcement was made during a ceremony held at GBC, with state staff and GBC President and Vice President in attendance.

Johnston is a 2013 graduate of Smith Valley High School. She is currently pursuing her degree in Agriculture Education. Treasurer Schwartz congratulates Johnston on her achievements by saying, "The Kenny C. Guinn Memorial Scholarship honors the memory of former Governor Guinn and his passion for education and this state. It awards two hard-working Nevada students with additional funds to help with their senior year, a time when many are concerned they won't have the means to complete college. All of the applicants have commendable records of community service, academics, and other achievements and we are proud to be here today to congratulate another exceptional Nevada student."

Each year, two \$4,500 scholarships are given to two recipients, one in Northern Nevada and one in Southern Nevada. Among the requirements for the scholarship applicants, they must be pursuing a degree in education with the intention to teach in Nevada upon graduation and have a commendable record of academic and community service.

Senate Bill 220 establishing the Kenny C. Guinn Memorial Millennium Scholarship Award was unanimously passed by both houses of the 2011 Legislature and signed into law by Gov. Brian Sandoval. SB 220 created a scholarship fund from donations received by the Treasurer's office after the tragic death in July 2010 of former Governor Kenny C. Guinn. To date, more than \$211,000 has been received by the fund. People and/or businesses wishing to make a tax-deductible donation to the Kenny C. Guinn Memorial Scholarship Fund may send checks to: State Treasurer's Office, 101 N. Carson Street, Carson City, NV 89701.

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