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Dear Students, Faculty and Staff,

If you woke up this morning with a variety of emotional feelings – including some negative ones – because of the uncertainty of the election results, you are not alone. I am feeling them as well.

And it may be some time until we have the final results of the election. We will all be best served by remaining calm and patient, yet attentive, as this process proceeds. By all accounts the turnout was high across the state and the nation and the Bobcat community should be proud that we again turned out in such large numbers to make our voices heard.

Our nation has experienced uncertainty before, such as the 2000 presidential election — which many of you were too young or not yet born to recollect personally. The results were ultimately decided several weeks after election day.

I ask you to recognize your feelings and emotions today and share them with others — mentors, teachers, friends.

We remain committed to supporting our entire University community — students, faculty and staff — through this time. Also know that University Police have received no credible threats of unrest. They will remain on high alert in the coming days and are committed to protecting the FSU community.

Please don't be afraid to say hello to one another or wave. This is a time as a community when gestures like saying hello to one another (or smiling under our masks, as difficult as that might be) will help you and others.

You'll be receiving an email from VP for Student Affairs Travis later today about post-election virtual events and other resources. There's no doubt that between the pandemic and the election uncertainty, we are having a lot thrown at us. If we stay together as a community and help each other, we will end up helping ourselves as well.

Be strong and safe, Bobcats.

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