

Hey Long Beach State graduates, Class of 2020. This is Mayor Robert Garcia. I obviously know this is a difficult year and there's a lot going on, and this health crisis really affected all of you and certainly the city and country we live in.

I want to first congratulate all of you for finishing and graduating. It's a huge accomplishment to complete college. I am a Long Beach State alum. I loved my time at the university, and the one thing that I always walk away from is that the degree you have matters. It's important, it's valuable and just know you went to a great American public university. Long Beach State is a great place to get a degree from.

You are living in a unique time in which you are going to learn skills that you will be able to apply to your lives and your jobs. So, just congratulations to everyone at the Beach family.

And, Go Beach.