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EDITOR'S PREFACE

This issue of *Studia Antiqua* is my first as the journal's editor. I am grateful for this opportunity and for the learning experience that it has already proven to be. The journal is what it is today thanks to the work of countless past contributors, editors, reviewers, and advisors. It is always intimidating to follow the successes of those who have come before, and my work on this issue is no exception. However, the previous editor, Jasmin Gimenez, as well as faculty advisors and experienced colleagues, have provided invaluable guidance. It is with their support that I happily present to the reader this issue of *Studia Antiqua*.

This fall issue comprises two articles, one by a current student of Brigham Young University and another by an alumnus of the university. The first is written by Haley Wilson, whose article reanalyzes the Aramaic phrase "son of man" in Daniel 7. She offers an alternative view for understanding the phrase's history and various usages, including similar phrasing used by Jesus in the New Testament. In the second article, Amanda Brown surveys the role of necromancy in the Hebrew Bible. She then expands on her observations to evaluate Nephi's interpretation of relevant passages and his influence on Mormon and Moroni in their own writings.

I would like to express my sincere gratitude to all of the reviewers who have contributed to this issue. As has always been the case, this journal would be impossible without their willingness to share of the various expertises they possess. The life of a university professor or PhD candidate is demanding enough without the added burden of reviewing articles for a student journal, yet our esteemed faculty and friends selflessly do so. I hope I have not been overly persistent in my communications and requests to the peer reviewers. This journal is indebted to them.

Likewise, I wish to thank our financial donors for their continued support. I would especially like to thank the Religious Studies Center, which provides the internship that makes it possible to devote the necessary time to publish this journal. In addition to the internship, the student editors and employees of the Religious Studies Center provide the ideal setting for an inexperienced editor such as myself to feel at home. I am grateful for all their efforts.

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