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**MINUTES OF THE
MEETING OF THE BOARD OF REGENTS
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CONVENE BOARD MEETING – JANUARY 28, 1999

A regular meeting of the Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System was convened by Mr. Don Powell, Chairman of the Board of Regents, at 2:09 p.m., on Thursday, January 28, 1999. The meeting was held in the Board of Regents Meeting Room, Memorial Student Center, on the campus of Texas A&M University, College Station, Texas. The following members of the Board were present:

Mr. Don Powell, Chairman
Mr. T. Michael O'Connor, Vice Chairman
Mr. Robert H. Allen
Ms. Anne Armstrong
Dr. Dionel E. Avilés
Mr. John H. Lindsey
Mr. Frederick D. McClure
Mr. Erle Nye
Ms. M. Guadalupe L. Rangel

CONVENE IN CLOSED SESSION

At 2:10 p.m., Mr. Powell announced that having convened in open session, the Board would convene in a closed session to consider matters as permitted by the following sections of Chapter 551 of the Texas Government Code: Section 551.071, for consultation with System attorneys on pending and proposed litigation and matters recognized as attorney-client confidential and privileged; Section 551.074, for discussion of matters involving the appointment, employment, evaluation, reassignment, duties, discipline or dismissal or to hear complaints or charges against an officer or employee, including Items 33 through 39.

Mr. Powell said in accordance with the law, no final action, decision or vote with regard to any matter considered in the closed meeting would be made or taken.

Mr. Powell asked the following members of the administration to stay for the closed session: Dr. Barry B. Thompson, Chancellor; Dr. Leo Sayavedra, Deputy Chancellor for Academic Institutions and Agencies; Mr. Tom Kale, Vice Chancellor for Business Services; Mr. Delmar Cain, General Counsel; Ms. Deena Wallace, and Ms. Tami Sayko, Chancellor's Chief of Staff.

RECONVENE BOARD MEETING IN OPEN SESSION AND RECESS

At 5:36 p.m., Mr. Powell reconvened the meeting of the Board in open session and announced that the Board had met in closed session from 2:10 p.m. until 5:35 p.m.

RECONVENE BOARD MEETING – JANUARY 29, 1999

Mr. Powell reconvened the meeting of the Board of Regents at 8:35 a.m., Friday, January 29, 1999, in Room 292, Memorial Student Center, on the campus of Texas A&M University. The following members of the Board were present:

Mr. Don Powell, Chairman
Mr. T. Michael O'Connor, Vice Chairman
Mr. Robert H. Allen
Ms. Anne Armstrong
Dr. Dionel E. Avilés
Mr. John H. Lindsey
Mr. Frederick D. McClure
Mr. Erle Nye
Ms. M. Guadalupe L. Rangel

INVOCATION

The invocation was presented by Ms. A.D. Achilefu, a Texas A&M freshman from Houston, Texas. Mr. Powell said Ms. Achilefu had been described as one of the most outstanding young volleyball student athletes in Texas over the last few years.

CHAIRMAN'S REMARKS

Mr. Powell presented some personal comments about the service of John H. Lindsey, M. Guadalupe L. Rangel and T. Michael O'Connor, as their terms of office were scheduled to expire on February 1, 1999. He said they had contributed greatly to the System, higher education and Texas.

CHANCELLOR'S REMARKS

Dr. Barry B. Thompson, Chancellor of The Texas A&M University System (TAMUS), presented remarks about the legislative session, Governor Bush's initiatives, and a cooperative program between the System, the Texas Education Agency and Commissioner Mike Moses.

**REPORT FROM THE
PRESIDENT OF TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY-COMMERCE**

Dr. Keith C. McFarland, President of Texas A&M University-Commerce (TAMU-C), presented a report and discussed the university's area, students and programs.

**REPORT FROM THE
DIRECTOR OF THE TEXAS TRANSPORTATION INSTITUTE**

Dr. Herbert Richardson, Director of the Texas Transportation Institute (TTI), reported on TTI's impact on transportation throughout Texas and the country. A video, narrated by Bob Phillips, was presented.

UPDATE ON THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY CORPS OF CADETS

Mr. Powell called on Dr. Ray Bowen, President of Texas A&M University (TAMU), Major General Ted Hopgood, Commandant of the Corps of Cadets, and Dr. Malon Southerland, Vice President for Student Affairs, who presented this update.

RECESS

Mr. Powell recessed the meeting at 9:45 a.m.

(Secretary's Note: Meetings of the Committee on Finance, Committee on Buildings and Physical Plant, Committee on Academic and Students Affairs, and Committee on Audit were held from 10:03 a.m. to 2:34 p.m.)

RECONVENE

Mr. Powell reconvened the meeting and presented Items 40 and 41. The Board took action as set forth below:

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**MINUTE ORDER 001-1999 (AGENDA ITEM 40)**

**ADOPTION OF A RESOLUTION  
RECOGNIZING THE 1998 FOOTBALL TEAM,  
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY**

On motion of Mr. Nye, seconded by Mr. McClure, and by a unanimous vote, the following minute order was adopted:

Whereas, the 1998 Texas A&M University Football Team distinguished itself by compiling an 11-3 won-loss record overall and winning the Big 12 Championship, in the process making school history by defeating teams ranked first and second in the nation; and

Whereas, the team earned an invitation to the Nokia Sugar Bowl in New Orleans, Louisiana, where it played against the Ohio State University team that was ranked third nationally at the time; and

Whereas, the team compiled this outstanding record with only seventeen seniors on the roster; and

Whereas, Coach R.C. Slocum is to be highly commended for his inspired leadership in guiding the young team in its significant accomplishments; and

Whereas, sixteen members of the team received special individual recognition, including: Dat Nguyen, whose many honors included being named the winner of the 1998 Rotary Lombardi Award as the nation's best interior lineman, was a consensus member of all major All-America teams as a linebacker and was selected to play in the Senior Bowl All-Star Game; Shane Lechler, who was named to several All-America teams and was a consensus member of the All-Big 12 first team as the punter; Rich Coady, who was named a consensus All-Big 12 first-team member as a defensive back and who was selected to play in the Senior Bowl All-Star Game; Warrick Holdman, who was named a consensus All-Big 12 first-team member as a linebacker, earned All-America honorable mention and who was selected to play in the Hula Bowl All-Star Game; Dan Campbell, who earned All-Big 12 honorable mention as a tight end and who was selected to play in the East-West Shrine All-Star game; Sirr Parker, who was selected to play in the Hula Bowl All-Star Game; Cameron Spikes, who was selected to play in the Senior Bowl All-Star Game; Derrick Spiller, who was selected to play in the East-West Shrine All-Star Game; Branndon Stewart, who was named Player of the Game in the Big-12 championship game with Kansas State University; Rex Tucker, who was named to the All-Big 12 third team as an offensive tackle and who was selected to play in the Senior Bowl All-Star Game; Dante Hall, who received All-America honorable mention and was a Doak Walker Award nominee; Ron Edwards, who was named an All-Big 12 second-team member as a defensive lineman; Jason Webster, a defensive back who also was selected for All-Big 12 second-team honors; Chris Taylor, a wide receiver who earned Big-12 honorable mention; Seth McKinney, who was named to two All-America freshman teams as a center; and Ja'Mar Toombs, a fullback who also received freshman All-America honors; and

Whereas, other members of the team, all of whom also displayed a high dedication and proficiency and spent countless hours in training, include: Daniel Aldrich, Luke Anderson, Cornelius Anthony, Stefan Banks, Eric Bernard, Rocky Bernard, Blair Bilek, Roylin Bradley, Jason Bragg, Justin Brazeal, Drew Bridges, Darren Brinkley, Jay Brooks, RoDerrick Broughton, Marc Broyles, Joel Bryan, Russell Bynum, Matt Bumgardner, Stowe Campbell, Kyle Caskey, Kevin Chadwick, Chris Cole, Sean Coryatt, Ryan Currie, Sedrick Curry, Michael de la Torre, Jason Duke, Ronald Flemons, Chad Frantzen, Brian Gamble, Antoine Gandy, Chad Gary, Jason Glenn, Dwain Goynes, D'Andre Hardeman, Heath Harper, Semisi Heimuli, Clay Hicks, Gehrig Highers, Leroy Hodge, Shea Holder, Dino Holland, Shun Horn, Michael Jameson, Kyle Janke, Brandon Jennings, Eric Jennings, Michael Jennings, Bethel Johnson, Mickey Jones, Stacy Jones, Toya Jones, Mike Kazmierski, Temple Kennedy, Josh Kirklin, Terence Kitchens, Paul Knepper, Greg Knutson, Adam Lancaster, Matt Lathrop, Derek Lechler, J.P. LeCompte, Kyle Lednicky, Grant Lengefeld, R.J. Lynn, Lonnie Madison, Michael Mahan, Ry Marek, Evan Marsh, Toby McCarthy, Tango McCauley, Randy McCown, Cullen Menn, Chris Montgomery, Lee Moses, Matt Murski, Terry Nichols, Aaron Oliver, Ronald Patton, Evan Perroni, Randy Poelma, Greg Porter, Michael Price, Burnest Rhodes, Harold Robertson, Christian Rodriguez, Tim Rudolph, Beau Schmidt, Jon-Stephen Scott, Amon Simon, Will Simpson, Vance Smith, Eric Stanford, Chris Thierry, Ty Thompson, Tyrone Thompson, Moses Vakalahi, Chris Valletta, Andy Vincent, Kenn Walsh, Jeremy Weisinger, Taylor Whitley, Michael Whitten, Billy Yates, Stephen Young and Greg Yount; and

Whereas, Coach Slocum and the team received valuable support from Tim Cassidy, Mike Clark, Ray Dorr, J.B. Grimes, Mike Hankwitz, Tam Hollingshead, Bill Johnson, Steve Kragthorpe, Lawrence Livingston, Dr. Rick Rigsby, Larry Slade, and Alan Weddell; and

Whereas, others providing valuable support were Athletic Department administrators: Wally Groff, Lynn Hickey, Penny King, Dr. Karl Mooney, Billy Pickard, Mike Caruso, Dave South, John Thornton, John David Crow, Rob Graf, Allen Kinley, Karl Kapchinski, Mike Ricke, David Weir, Danny Kniffin, Dr. J.P. Bramhall, Dr. Richard Herron, Dr. Jesse Parr, Jenny Beasley, Dr. David Wentling, Shane Hudson, Nel Jennings, Nancy Maly, Jennifer Bunner, Lou Medlin, Jim Kotch, Patty Allison, Sylvester Calhoun, Matt Watson, Leo Goertz, Craig Potts, Jeff Jordan, Kyle Ogden, Patrick Tate, Jim Ogle, Andy Richardson, James Duncan, Charles Ellis, Greg Smith, Tedd Hargett, Todd Moore, Nick Arrott, Josh Brown, Bobby Roubion, Elmer Schneider, Mike Ragan, Dave Elmendorf, Ronnie Arnold, Lee Wheeler, Alan Cannon, Colin Killian, Debbie Darrah, Drew Martin, Steve Miller, Brad Marquardt and Cyndi Mousner; and

Whereas, other valuable support was provided by graduate assistants Dennis Allen and Bob Connelly; video graduate assistants Gary Jones and Chris Pawlak and football operations assistant Kirk Parrish; student trainers Jayme Bidne, Scott Galloway, Geoff Gowens, Sarah McCravey, Steven Novosad, Jay Pierson, Kyle Prater and Brook Rollins; student managers Matt Axcell, John Bickham, Fisher Blake, James Camp, Ryan Cosser, B.R. Dieterich, Wesley Hunter, Kevin Lemmons, Brian Restivo and Brian Roome; now, therefore, be it

Resolved, that the Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System, meeting this 29th day of January 1999, congratulates Coach R.C. Slocum and all of the players and others associated with the team for their contributions to Texas A&M University; and, be it, further

Resolved, that this resolution be spread upon the minutes, and copies thereof, signed by the Chairman of the Board of Regents, be presented to Coach Slocum, to the assistant coaches and other staff members, and to each member of the team, and to the Archives of Texas A&M University, as a permanent mark of this Board's appreciation and gratitude to all these individuals for a job well done.

**MINUTE ORDER 002-1999 (AGENDA ITEM 41)**

**ADOPTION OF A RESOLUTION  
RECOGNIZING DAT NGUYEN AS THE  
1998 RECIPIENT OF THE LOMBARDI AWARD,  
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY**

On motion of Mr. Nye, seconded by Mr. McClure, and by a unanimous vote, the following minute order was adopted:

Whereas, Mr. Dat Nguyen has distinguished himself as a student-athlete at Texas A&M University, with his myriad of outstanding accomplishments reflecting exceedingly well on his alma mater; and

Whereas, Mr. Nguyen has excelled as a member of the Texas A&M University Football Team for the past four years, while diligently applying himself academically, having completed his undergraduate degree requirements in the summer of 1998 and studying on the graduate level during his final collegiate football season; and

Whereas, Mr. Nguyen also distinguished himself through a variety of community service endeavors; and

Whereas, Mr. Nguyen, a four-year letterman as an inside linebacker, established a school record for career tackles, with 517, and became the only player in school history to lead the team in tackles for four consecutive years, and was a member of the starting team in every game during his football career at Texas A&M, establishing a school record with fifty-one career starts; and

Whereas, Mr. Nguyen's desire and his abilities as a football player brought him honors unmatched at Texas A&M University in at least a quarter of a century, with those honors including selection as the winner of the 1998 Rotary Lombardi Award as the nation's best interior lineman and as a consensus member of all major All-America teams; and

Whereas, Mr. Nguyen has been widely recognized for his community service, being selected a member of the American Football Coaches Association's "Good Works" Team and being named the NationsBank Community Champion for his work off the playing field; now, therefore, be it

Resolved, that the Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System, meeting on this 29<sup>th</sup> day of January 1999, congratulates Mr. Dat Nguyen for his exemplary record as a student-athlete at Texas A&M University and for his community service, during which he established himself as a superb role-model for young people in Bryan/College Station as well as throughout the state and the nation; and, be it, further

Resolved, that this resolution be spread upon the minutes, and copies thereof, signed by the Chairman of the Board, be presented to Mr. Nguyen, and to the Archives of Texas A&M University, as a permanent mark of this Board's appreciation to him and respect for his many accomplishments and services on and off the football field and to wish him well in all of his future endeavors.

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Mr. O'Connor presented framed resolutions to Coach R.C. Slocum and Mr. Dat Nguyen and congratulated them and the team on their significant accomplishments.

LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

Mr. Powell called on Dr. Stanton Calvert, Vice Chancellor for State and Public Affairs, who presented a legislative update.

Mr. Powell called on Mr. Nye for the report of the Committee on Finance.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON FINANCE

Mr. Nye, Chairman of the Committee on Finance, said the Committee met earlier the same day, received reports on the MIS Project and the financial status of the System. The Committee recommended approval of Items 1 through 7 and the Board took action as set forth below:

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**MINUTE ORDER 003-1999 (AGENDA ITEM 1)**

**ESTABLISHMENT OF A  
QUASI-ENDOWMENT ENTITLED  
“DEPENDENT CHILDREN OF FACULTY AND  
STAFF SCHOLARSHIP QUASI-ENDOWMENT,”  
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY**

On motion of Mr. Nye, seconded by Mr. Allen, and by a unanimous vote, the following minute order was adopted:

Authority is hereby granted to the President of Texas A&M University to establish a quasi-endowment fund to be called “Dependent Children of Faculty and Staff Scholarship Quasi-Endowment.” This fund will be initially established using \$1,109,450.35 from funds received through a legal settlement with W.R. Grace Company. Authorization is hereby granted to transfer additional funds received from the Texas Political Entities Class Action Settlement when received to achieve a \$2,000,000.00 fund. Interest from the quasi-endowment will be used to fund scholarships for dependent children of Texas A&M University faculty and staff. Guidelines for awarding such scholarships will be approved by the President of Texas A&M University.

**MINUTE ORDER 004-1999 (REVISED AGENDA ITEM 2)**

**APPROVAL OF INCREASE IN HOUSING ALLOWANCE  
FOR THE PRESIDENT,  
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY-CORPUS CHRISTI**

On motion of Mr. Nye, seconded by Mr. Allen, and by a unanimous vote, the following minute order was adopted:

In accordance with Section 9.1 of System Policy 07.01, Ethics Policy, TAMUS Employees, the Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System hereby authorizes the housing allowance of President Robert R. Furgason to be increased to \$20,000.00 annually, effective February 1, 1999.

**MINUTE ORDER 005-1999 (AGENDA ITEM 3)**

**APPROVAL OF  
STILES FARM FOUNDATION ANNUAL BUDGET,  
STILES FARM FOUNDATION**

On motion of Mr. Nye, seconded by Mr. Allen, and by a unanimous vote, the following minute order was adopted:

The operating budget for the Stiles Farm Foundation for calendar year 1999, a copy of which is attached to the official minutes as **Exhibit A**, is hereby approved.

**MINUTE ORDER 006-1999 (AGENDA ITEM 4)**

**APPROVAL OF FIRST AMERICAN BANK DEPOSITORY AGREEMENT,  
THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM**

On motion of Mr. Nye, seconded by Mr. Allen, and by a unanimous vote, the following minute order was adopted:

In accordance with the System Investment Policy, First American Bank is hereby approved as a depository, acting as Lock-Box processor for Texas A&M University through March 31, 2002.

**MINUTE ORDER 007-1999 (AGENDA ITEM 5)**

**APPROVAL OF NORWEST BANK DEPOSITORY AGREEMENT,  
THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM**

On motion of Mr. Nye, seconded by Mr. Allen, and by a unanimous vote, the following minute order was adopted:

In accordance with The Texas A&M University System Investment Policy, Norwest Bank is hereby approved as a depository for The Texas A&M University System and its Members, acting as Local Depository for Texas A&M University, Tarleton State University, Prairie View A&M University, Texas Agricultural Experiment Station, Texas Agricultural Extension Service, Texas Engineering Experiment Station, Texas Engineering Extension Service, Texas Forest Service, Texas Transportation Institute, Texas Wildlife Damage Management Service, Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi, Texas A&M International University, Texas A&M University-Kingsville, West Texas A&M University, and System Administrative and General Offices through March 31, 2002.



**MINUTE ORDER 008-1999 (AGENDA ITEM 6)**

**APPROVAL OF NATIONSBANK DEPOSITORY AGREEMENT,  
THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM**

On motion of Mr. Nye, seconded by Mr. Allen, and by a unanimous vote, the following minute order was adopted:

In accordance with The Texas A&M University System Investment Policy, NationsBank is hereby approved as a depository of The Texas A&M University System and its Members, acting as the Lead Bank for the entire System, and as a Local Depository for Texas A&M University at Galveston, Baylor College of Dentistry, and Tarleton State University, through March 31, 2002, with the option to extend the depository agreement for an additional two years.

**MINUTE ORDER 009-1999 (AGENDA ITEM 7)**

**ACCEPTANCE OF  
GIFTS, GRANTS, LOANS AND BEQUESTS,  
THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM**

On motion of Mr. Nye, seconded by Mr. Allen, and by a unanimous vote, the following minute order was adopted:

The Board of Regents hereby accepts the gifts, grants, loans and bequests made to the Members of The Texas A&M University System concerned as shown on Gifts, Grants, Loans and Bequests List No. 98-99-03, a copy of which is attached to the official minutes as **Exhibit B**.

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Mr. Powell called on Dr. Avilés for the report of the Committee on Buildings and Physical Plant.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON BUILDINGS AND PHYSICAL PLANT

Dr. Avilés, Chairman of the Committee on Buildings and Physical Plant, said the Committee met earlier the same day, and recommended approval of Items 8 through 17, pertaining to construction, Items 18 and 19, pertaining to real estate, and Item 20, pertaining to naming of facilities. Dr. Avilés said the Committee also recommended approval of Item 46. The Committee recommended approval of the following architect/engineer design team selections: TTI Safety Research Facility, Texas Transportation Institute at Riverside Campus - Holster & Associates, Inc. of College Station, Texas; Replace Boiler No. 8 in the Central Utility Plant at Texas A&M University - Lockwood Andrews and Newnam, Inc. of Houston, Texas; McInnis Hall Renovation at Texas A&M University - JPJ Architects, Inc. of Dallas, Texas; Parking Lot 50 at Texas A&M University - Martinez, Wright and Mendez, Inc. of Austin, Texas. The Board took action as set forth below:

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**MINUTE ORDER 010-1999 (AGENDA ITEM 8)**

**APPROVAL OF THE  
PROGRAM OF REQUIREMENTS,  
APPROPRIATION FOR DESIGN AND  
SELECTION OF THE ARCHITECT/ENGINEER DESIGN TEAM  
FOR THE TTI SAFETY RESEARCH FACILITY, RIVERSIDE CAMPUS,  
TEXAS TRANSPORTATION INSTITUTE**

On motion of Mr. Lindsey, seconded by Mr. Allen and by a unanimous vote, the following minute order was adopted:

The program of requirements for the TTI Safety Research Facility, Texas Transportation Institute at Riverside Campus, is approved.

Supplementing a previous appropriation of \$10,000.00, the amount of \$103,000.00 is appropriated from Account No. 024030 Operating Account for Overhead on TTI Projects for design for the TTI Safety Research Facility, Texas Transportation Institute at Riverside Campus.

The firm of Holster & Associates, Inc. of College Station, Texas, is selected to head the architect/engineer design team for the TTI Safety Research Facility, Texas Transportation Institute at Riverside Campus.

**MINUTE ORDER 011-1999 (AGENDA ITEM 9)**

**APPROVAL OF THE  
PROGRAM OF REQUIREMENTS,  
APPROPRIATION FOR DESIGN AND  
SELECTION OF THE ARCHITECT/ENGINEER DESIGN TEAM  
TO REPLACE BOILER NO. 8 AT THE CENTRAL UTILITY PLANT,  
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY**

On motion of Mr. Lindsey, seconded by Mr. Allen and by a unanimous vote, the following minute order was adopted:

The program of requirements to Replace Boiler No. 8 in the Central Utility Plant at Texas A&M University is approved.

Supplementing a previous appropriation of \$15,000.00, the amount of \$380,000.00 is appropriated from Account No. 270160 Utility System Revenue Fund for design to Replace Boiler No. 8 in the Central Utility Plant at Texas A&M University.

The firm of Lockwood Andrews and Newnam, Inc. of Houston, Texas, is selected to head the architect/engineer design team for replacement of Boiler No. 8 in the Central Utility Plant at Texas A&M University.

The Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System reasonably expects to incur debt in one or more obligations for this project, and all or a portion of the proceeds received from the sale of such obligations is reasonably expected to be used to reimburse the account(s) for amounts previously appropriated and/or expended from such account(s).

**MINUTE ORDER 012-1999 (AGENDA ITEM 10)**

**APPROVAL OF THE PROGRAM OF REQUIREMENTS,  
APPROPRIATION FOR DESIGN AND  
SELECTION OF THE ARCHITECT/ENGINEER DESIGN TEAM  
FOR MCINNIS HALL RENOVATION,  
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY**

On motion of Mr. Lindsey, seconded by Mr. Allen and by a unanimous vote, the following minute order was adopted:

The program of requirements for McInnis Hall Renovation at Texas A&M University is approved.

Supplementing previous appropriation of \$25,000.00, the amount of \$99,000.00 is appropriated from Account No. 300650 Residence Halls Summer Maintenance for design for McInnis Hall Renovation at Texas A&M University.

The firm of JPJ Architects, Inc. of Dallas, Texas, is selected to head the architect/engineer design team for McInnis Hall Renovation at Texas A&M University.

**MINUTE ORDER 013-1999 (AGENDA ITEM 11)**

**APPROVAL OF THE PROGRAM OF REQUIREMENTS,  
APPROPRIATION FOR ARCHITECTURAL CONCEPT  
AND SELECTION OF THE CONCEPT ARCHITECT  
FOR THE NEW ARCHITECTURE BUILDING,  
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY**

On motion of Mr. Lindsey, seconded by Mr. Allen and by a unanimous vote, the following minute order was adopted:

The program of requirements for the New Architecture Building at Texas A&M University is approved.

Supplementing a previous appropriation of \$25,000.00, the amount of \$120,000.00 is appropriated from Account No. 085008 Board Authorized Tuition, for the architectural concept for the New Architecture Building at Texas A&M University.

The firm of Philip Johnson/Alan Ritchie Architects of New York City, New York, is selected to prepare the architectural concept for the New Architecture Building at Texas A&M University.

**MINUTE ORDER 014-1999 (AGENDA ITEM 12)**

**APPROVAL OF THE PROGRAM OF REQUIREMENTS,  
APPROPRIATION FOR DESIGN AND  
SELECTION OF THE ARCHITECT/ENGINEER DESIGN TEAM  
FOR PARKING LOT 50 EXPANSION,  
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY**

On motion of Mr. Lindsey, seconded by Mr. Allen and by a unanimous vote, the following minute order was adopted:

The program of requirements for Parking Lot 50 Expansion at Texas A&M University is approved.

Supplementing a previous appropriation of \$10,000.00, the amount of \$160,000.00 is appropriated from Account No. 030054 Parking Facilities for design for Parking Lot 50 Expansion at Texas A&M University.

The firm of Martinez, Wright and Mendez, Inc. of Austin, Texas, is selected to head the architect/engineer design team for Parking Lot 50 at Texas A&M University.

The Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System reasonably expects to incur debt in one or more obligations for this project, and all or a portion of the proceeds received from the sale of such obligations is

reasonably expected to be used to reimburse the account(s) for amounts previously appropriated and/or expended from such account(s).

**MINUTE ORDER 015-1999 (AGENDA ITEM 13)**

**APPROVAL OF PRELIMINARY DESIGN FOR  
THE PANHANDLE PLAINS HISTORICAL MUSEUM RENOVATION,  
WEST TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY**

On motion of Mr. Lindsey, seconded by Mr. Allen and by a unanimous vote, the following minute order was adopted:

The preliminary design for the Panhandle Plains Historical Museum Renovation at West Texas A&M University is approved.

Authorization is granted to use the Competitive Sealed Proposal Procurement Method of project delivery.

Authorization is granted to the Chancellor to approve the Order of Ranking of contractors/proposers prior to bringing a contract award recommendation to the Board of Regents.

**MINUTE ORDER 016-1999 (AGENDA ITEM 14)**

**ACTION ON BIDS TO  
RENOVATE MANNING HALL,  
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY-KINGSVILLE**

On motion of Mr. Lindsey, seconded by Mr. Allen and by a unanimous vote, the following minute order was adopted:

Based on bids received November 24, 1998, the contract is awarded to Van Fleet Construction, Inc. of Kingsville, Texas, at \$2,903,400.00, the low base bid and Alternates 2, 3, 6 and 7 for Manning Hall Renovations at Texas A&M University-Kingsville.

Based on bids received November 24, 1998, the asbestos abatement contract is awarded to Jupe Company Inc. of San Antonio, Texas, at \$33,000.00, the low bid for Manning Hall Renovations at Texas A&M University-Kingsville.

Supplementing previous appropriations of \$395,000.00, the amount of \$24,000.00 is appropriated from Account No. 169999 Higher Education Assistance Fund and \$3,601,000.00 is appropriated from Account No. 083519 Revenue Financing System (Tuition Revenue), for Manning Hall Renovations at Texas A&M University-Kingsville.

The amount of \$195,000.00 of previous appropriations from Account No. 888016 Auxiliary Enterprise Operations is reverted to the source account.

The Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System reasonably expects to incur debt in one or more obligations for this project, and all or a portion of the proceeds received from the sale of such obligations is reasonably expected to be used to reimburse the account(s) for amounts previously appropriated and/or expended from such account(s).

As required by Section 5(a) of the Master Resolution of the Revenue Financing System, the Board hereby determines that it will have sufficient funds to meet the financial obligations of The Texas A&M University System, including sufficient Pledged Revenues to satisfy the Annual Debt Service Requirements of the Revenue Financing System and to meet all financial obligations of the Board relating to the Revenue Financing System and that the Participants, on whose behalf the Bonds are issued, possess the financial capacity to satisfy their Direct Obligations.

**MINUTE ORDER 017-1999 (REVISED AGENDA ITEM 15)**

**ACTION ON COMPETITIVE SEALED PROPOSALS  
FOR THE NEW SCIENCE BUILDING,  
PRAIRIE VIEW A&M UNIVERSITY**

On motion of Mr. Lindsey, seconded by Mr. Allen and by a unanimous vote, the following minute order was adopted:

Based on proposals received November 10, 1998, and subsequent negotiations, the contract is awarded to J.T. Vaughn Construction Company, Inc. of Houston, Texas, at \$22,934,396.00, for the base proposal and Alternates 1, 2, 3, 4a, 4b, 4c, and 4d for the New Science Building at Prairie View A&M University.

Supplementing previous appropriations of \$1,775,000.00, the amount of \$15,000,000.00 is appropriated from Account No. 083519 Revenue Financing System (Tuition Revenue); \$5,800,000.00 is appropriated from Account No. 083519 Revenue Financing System (Board Authorized Tuition); and \$5,190,000.00 is appropriated from Account No. 083518 Permanent University Fund Debt Proceeds, for the New Science Building at Prairie View A&M University.

The amount of \$15,000.00 of previous appropriations from Account No. 010010 Local Fund 245 (E&G Unappropriated Income) is reverted to that source account.

The Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System reasonably expects to incur debt in one or more obligations for this project, and all or a portion of the proceeds received from the sale of such obligations is reasonably expected to be used to reimburse the account(s) for amounts previously appropriated and/or expended from such account(s).

As required by Section 5(a) of the Master Resolution of the Revenue Financing System, the Board hereby determines that it will have sufficient funds to meet the financial obligations of The Texas A&M University System, including sufficient Pledged Revenues to satisfy the Annual Debt Service Requirements of the Revenue Financing System and to meet all financial obligations of the Board relating to the Revenue Financing System and that the Participants, on whose behalf the Bonds are issued, possess the financial capacity to satisfy their Direct Obligations.

**MINUTE ORDER 018-1999 (REVISED AGENDA ITEM 16)**

**ACTION ON COMPETITIVE SEALED PROPOSALS  
FOR THE NEW SCIENCE BUILDING,  
TARLETON STATE UNIVERSITY**

On motion of Mr. Lindsey, seconded by Mr. Allen and by a unanimous vote, the following minute order was adopted:

Based on proposals received November 18, 1998, and subsequent negotiations, the contract is awarded to Thos. S. Byrne, Inc. of Fort Worth, Texas, at \$25,307,445.00, the base bid and Alternates 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7 and 8, for the New Science Building at Tarleton State University.

Supplementing previous appropriations of \$1,795,000.00, the amount of \$15,000,000.00 is appropriated from Account No. 083519 Revenue Financing System (Tuition Revenue); \$6,800,000.00 is appropriated from Account No. 083519 Revenue Financing System (Board Authorized Tuition); \$6,245,000.00 is appropriated from Account No. 083518 Permanent University Fund Debt Proceeds, for the New Science Building at Tarleton State University.

The Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System reasonably expects to incur debt in one or more obligations for this project, and all or a portion of the proceeds received from the sale of such obligations is reasonably expected to be used to reimburse the account(s) for amounts previously appropriated and/or expended from such account(s).

As required by Section 5(a) of the Master Resolution of the Revenue Financing System, the Board hereby determines that it will have sufficient funds to meet the financial obligations of The Texas A&M University System including sufficient Pledged Revenues to satisfy the Annual Debt Service Requirements of the Revenue Financing System and to meet all financial obligations of the Board relating to the Revenue Financing System and that the Participants, on whose behalf the Bonds are issued, possess the financial capacity to satisfy their Direct Obligations.

**MINUTE ORDER 019-1999 (AGENDA ITEM 17)**

**AUTHORIZATION TO USE THE**

**COMPETITIVE SEALED PROPOSAL PROCUREMENT  
METHOD OF PROJECT DELIVERY AND  
TO ALLOW THE CHANCELLOR TO APPROVE THE  
ORDER OF RANKING OF CONTRACTOR/PROPOSERS  
FOR THE SBISA HALL RENOVATIONS,  
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY**

On motion of Mr. Lindsey, seconded by Mr. Allen and by a unanimous vote, the following minute order was adopted:

Authorization is granted to use the Competitive Sealed Proposal Procurement Method for project delivery and to allow the Chancellor to approve the order of ranking of contractors/proposers for the Sbisa Hall Renovations at Texas A&M University.

**MINUTE ORDER 020-1999 (AGENDA ITEM 18)**

**AUTHORIZATION TO EXECUTE A  
RIGHT-OF-WAY PIPELINE EASEMENT, EDWARDS COUNTY,  
THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM**

On motion of Mr. Lindsey, seconded by Mr. Allen and by a unanimous vote, the following minute order was adopted:

The Chancellor of The Texas A&M University System, or his designee, after recommendation by the System Real Estate Office and legal review by the Office of General Counsel is authorized to execute a right-of-way pipeline easement for a six-inch (6") natural gas-gathering pipeline, twenty-feet (20') in width and approximately 30.66 rods (505.89 linear feet) in length across the Sonora Experiment Station in Edwards County, Texas. This easement will be for a ten-year (10) term in favor of Union Pacific Highlands Gathering and Processing Company. Total consideration for this easement is \$3,066.00.

**MINUTE ORDER 021-1999 (AGENDA ITEM 19)**

**AUTHORIZATION TO EXECUTE A  
RIGHT-OF-WAY ACCESS EASEMENT, MONTGOMERY COUNTY,  
THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM**

On motion of Mr. Lindsey, seconded by Mr. Allen and by a unanimous vote, the following minute order was adopted:

The Chancellor of The Texas A&M University System, or his designee, after recommendation by the System Real Estate Office and legal review by the Office of General Counsel is authorized to execute a right-of-way access easement, twenty-feet (20') in width and approximately 69.18 rods (1,141.43 linear feet) in length across the A.W. Springer Survey, Abstract No. 490, in



Montgomery County, Texas, and commonly known as the W.G. Jones State Forest. This easement will be for a ten year (10) term in favor of Bobby L. Budde. Total consideration for this easement is \$1.00.

**MINUTE ORDER 022(A)-1999 (AGENDA ITEM 20)**

**NAMING OF THE  
NORMAN E. BORLAUG CENTER FOR  
SOUTHERN CROP IMPROVEMENT,  
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY**

On motion of Mr. Lindsey, seconded by Mr. Allen and by a unanimous vote, the following minute order was adopted:

The Center for Southern Crop Improvement, which is located on the West Campus of Texas A&M University, is hereby named the “Norman E. Borlaug Center for Southern Crop Improvement.” In naming this facility, the Board hereby grants an exception to System Policy 51.05 regarding facilities being named for current employees of the System.

**MINUTE ORDER 022(B)-1999 (AGENDA ITEM 20)**

**NAMING OF THE  
ELIZABETH AND JOSEPH RAY AUDITORIUM,  
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY**

On motion of Mr. Lindsey, seconded by Mr. Allen and by a unanimous vote, the following minute order was adopted:

The auditorium, formerly known as Room 159, in the E. L. Wehner Building on the campus of Texas A&M University, is hereby named the “Elizabeth and Joseph Ray Auditorium.”

**MINUTE ORDER 023-1999 (AGENDA ITEM 46)**

**APPROVAL OF THE REVISED PROJECT BUDGET  
AND SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION FOR  
THE CHEMISTRY BUILDING - 1959  
WING FUME HOOD EXHAUST AND  
MAKE UP AIR SYSTEM UPGRADE,  
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY**

On motion of Mr. Lindsey, seconded by Mr. Allen and by a unanimous vote, the following minute order was adopted:

The increased project budget of \$850,000.00 for the Chemistry Building - 1959 Wing Fume Hood Exhaust and Make Up Air System Upgrade is approved.

Supplementing previous appropriations of \$600,000.00 the amount of \$250,000.00 is appropriated from Revenue Financing System Debt Proceeds (Designated Tuition) for the Chemistry Building - 1959 Wing Fume Hood Exhaust and Make Up Air System Upgrade.

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Mr. Powell called on Ms. Rangel for the report of the Committee on Academic and Students Affairs.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON ACADEMIC AND STUDENT AFFAIRS

Ms. Rangel, Chairman of the Committee on Academic and Student Affairs, said the Committee recommended approval of Items 21 through 28. The Board took action as set forth below:

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**MINUTE ORDER 024-1999 (AGENDA ITEM 21)**

**AUTHORIZATION TO REQUEST APPROVAL  
FROM THE TEXAS HIGHER EDUCATION COORDINATING BOARD  
FOR A MASTER OF GEOSCIENCE DEGREE,  
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY**

On motion of Mr. Nye, seconded by Ms. Armstrong and by a unanimous vote, the following minute order was adopted:

The President of Texas A&M University is authorized to present to the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board a proposal initiating a graduate program leading to a Master of Geoscience degree.

The Board of Regents has considered the request for this authorization in light of the statutory objectives of Texas A&M University, the need of the State of Texas for students to be trained in this field, and the cost of such training. The Board believes this request is justified and that Texas A&M University should be authorized to add a Master of Geoscience to its approved degree programs.

**MINUTE ORDER 025-1999 (AGENDA ITEM 22)**

**AUTHORIZATION TO  
ESTABLISH THE CENTER FOR  
ENVIRONMENTAL AND RURAL HEALTH,  
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY**

On motion of Mr. Nye, seconded by Ms. Armstrong and by a unanimous vote, the following minute order was adopted:

The interdisciplinary Center for Environmental and Rural Health is hereby established as an organizational part of Texas A&M University that is administered within the College of Veterinary Medicine, Department of Veterinary Physiology and Pharmacology.

**MINUTE ORDER 026-1999 (AMENDED AGENDA ITEM 23)**

**AUTHORIZATION TO  
ESTABLISH THE CENTER FOR HUMANITIES RESEARCH,  
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY**

On motion of Mr. Nye, seconded by Ms. Armstrong and by a unanimous vote, the following minute order was adopted:

The Center for Humanities Research is hereby established as an organizational part of Texas A&M University in the College of Liberal Arts, with the understanding that the Chairman of the Board of Regents will have the right to appoint a Regent to serve on the Center's Development Council. The President of Texas A&M University is hereby authorized to appoint a Director of the Center for Humanities Research.

**MINUTE ORDER 027-1999 (AGENDA ITEM 24)**

**AUTHORIZATION TO REQUEST APPROVAL  
FROM THE TEXAS HIGHER EDUCATION COORDINATING BOARD  
TO OFFER A MASTER OF SCIENCE DEGREE  
WITH A MAJOR IN MANAGEMENT,  
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY-COMMERCE**

On motion of Mr. Nye, seconded by Ms. Armstrong and by a unanimous vote, the following minute order was adopted:

The President of Texas A&M University-Commerce is hereby authorized to present to the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board a proposal initiating a new program leading to a Master of Science Degree in Management.

The Board of Regents has considered the request for this authorization in light of the statutory objectives of Texas A&M University-Commerce and the need of the State of Texas for students to be trained in this field.

The Board believes this request is justified and that Texas A&M University-Commerce, under its legal mandate should be authorized to add a Master of Science Degree in Management to its degree inventory.

**MINUTE ORDER 028-1999 (AGENDA ITEM 25)**

**AUTHORIZATION TO REQUEST  
APPROVAL FROM THE TEXAS HIGHER EDUCATION  
COORDINATING BOARD TO  
OFFER A MASTER OF ARTS IN TEACHING ENGLISH  
AND MASTER OF SCIENCE IN TEACHING ENGLISH,  
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY-TEXARKANA**

On motion of Mr. Nye, seconded by Ms. Armstrong and by a unanimous vote, the following minute order was adopted:

The President of Texas A&M University-Texarkana is hereby authorized to request approval from the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board for a new graduate program leading to the Master of Arts in Teaching English/Master of Science in Teaching English. The Board of Regents has considered the request for this authorization in light of the statutory objectives of Texas A&M University-Texarkana, the need of the State of Texas for students to be trained in this field, and the cost of such training. The Board believes this request is justified and Texas A&M University-Texarkana under its legal mandate should be authorized to add a Master of Arts in Teaching English/Master of Science in Teaching English to its degree inventory.

**MINUTE ORDER 029-1999 (AGENDA ITEM 26)**

**AUTHORIZATION TO  
EXECUTE A MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT TO  
ESTABLISH A REGIONAL DIVISION AT  
SOUTHWEST TEXAS STATE UNIVERSITY,  
TEXAS ENGINEERING EXPERIMENT STATION**

On motion of Mr. Nye, seconded by Ms. Armstrong and by a unanimous vote, the following minute order was adopted:

The Chairman of the Board of Regents and the Chancellor of The Texas A&M University System are hereby authorized to execute the Memorandum of Agreement between the Texas Engineering Experiment Station and Southwest Texas State University, a copy of which is attached to the official minutes as **Exhibit C**, to become effective immediately.

**MINUTE ORDER 030(A)-1999 (AGENDA ITEM 27-A)**

**APPROVAL OF NEW CORE CURRICULUM,  
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY-CORPUS CHRISTI**

On motion of Mr. Nye, seconded by Ms. Armstrong and by a unanimous vote, the following minute order was adopted:

The proposed New Core Curriculum for Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi, attached to the official minutes as **Exhibit D**, is approved. The New Core Curriculum will become effective with the Fall 1999 Semester.

**MINUTE ORDER 030(B)-1999 (AGENDA ITEM 27-B)**

**AUTHORIZATION TO REQUEST APPROVAL  
FROM THE TEXAS HIGHER EDUCATION COORDINATING BOARD  
FOR CORE CURRICULUM,  
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY-KINGSVILLE**

On motion of Mr. Nye, seconded by Ms. Armstrong and by a unanimous vote, the following minute order was adopted:

The proposed New Core Curriculum for Texas A&M University-Kingsville, attached to the official minutes as **Exhibit E**, is approved by the Board of Regents and will be forwarded to the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board for its approval. If approved by the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board, the New Core Curriculum will become effective with the Fall 1999 Semester.

**MINUTE ORDER 030(C)-1999 (AGENDA ITEM 27-C)**

**AUTHORIZATION TO REQUEST APPROVAL  
FROM THE TEXAS HIGHER EDUCATION COORDINATING BOARD  
FOR CORE CURRICULUM,  
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY AT GALVESTON**

On motion of Mr. Nye, seconded by Ms. Armstrong and by a unanimous vote, the following minute order was adopted:

The proposed New Core Curriculum for Texas A&M University at Galveston, attached to the official minutes as **Exhibit F**, is approved by the Board of Regents and will be forwarded to the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board for its approval. If approved by the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board, the New Core Curriculum will become effective with the Fall 1999 Semester.

**MINUTE ORDER 030(D)-1999 (AGENDA ITEM 27-D)**

**APPROVAL OF NEW CORE CURRICULUM,  
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY INTERNATIONAL UNIVERSITY**

On motion of Mr. Nye, seconded by Ms. Armstrong and by a unanimous vote, the following minute order was adopted:

The proposed New Core Curriculum for Texas A&M International University, attached to the official minutes as **Exhibit G**, is approved by the Board of Regents. The New Core Curriculum will become effective with the Fall 1999 Semester.

**MINUTE ORDER 030(E)-1999 (AGENDA ITEM 27-E)**

**APPROVAL OF NEW CORE CURRICULUM,  
TARLETON STATE UNIVERSITY**

On motion of Mr. Nye, seconded by Ms. Armstrong and by a unanimous vote, the following minute order was adopted:

The proposed New Core Curriculum for Tarleton State University, attached to the official minutes as **Exhibit H**, is approved by the Board of Regents. The New Core Curriculum will become effective with the Fall 1999 Semester.

**MINUTE ORDER 030(F)-1999 (AGENDA ITEM 27-F)**

**AUTHORIZATION TO REQUEST APPROVAL  
FROM THE TEXAS HIGHER EDUCATION COORDINATING BOARD  
FOR CORE CURRICULUM,  
WEST TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY**

On motion of Mr. Nye, seconded by Ms. Armstrong and by a unanimous vote, the following minute order was adopted:

The President of West Texas A&M University is hereby authorized to request approval from the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board for the 49-hour Core Curriculum.

The Board of Regents has considered the request for this authorization in light of the statutory objectives of West Texas A&M University, the need for the State of Texas for students to be trained in this area, and the cost of such training. The Board believes this request is justified and that West Texas A&M University, under its legal mandate, should be authorized to add the 49-hour Core Curriculum, a copy of which is attached to the official minutes as **Exhibit I**.

**MINUTE ORDER 031-1999 (AGENDA ITEM 28)**

**APPROVAL OF CAMPUS ENROLLMENT  
MANAGEMENT PLAN PROJECTIONS,  
1999-2000 ACADEMIC YEAR,  
THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM**

On motion of Mr. Nye, seconded by Ms. Armstrong and by a unanimous vote, the following minute order was adopted:

The Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System hereby approves the 1999-2000 Academic Year Campus Enrollment Management Plan Projections for each component university, on terms and conditions substantially the same as those contained in **Exhibit J**, a copy of which is attached to the official minutes.

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REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON AUDIT

Mr. McClure said in accordance with the Board's action in December reorganizing the System's internal audit department, he has worked with Mr. Tom Kale, Vice Chancellor for Business Services, to develop a process for implementing the Board's decision. He said each member of the Board received his memorandum dated December 14, outlining a proposed procedure that will begin with advertising in appropriate newspapers, journals and professional websites next week. During March, a screening committee led by Mr. Kale and consisting of representatives from TAMU, the engineering agencies, the agricultural agencies, the regional institutions and the Chancellor's Office, will evaluate applicants for basic qualifications. Mr. McClure said it was anticipated that during the month of April they will have candidates for both the Committee on Audit and Board's consideration.

OTHER ITEMS

Mr. Powell called on Dr. Bowen to present Item 29. The Board took action as set forth below:

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**MINUTE ORDER 032-1999 (AGENDA ITEM 29)**

**ADOPTION OF A RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING  
THE OUTSTANDING CONTRIBUTIONS AND ACHIEVEMENTS  
OF STERLING C. EVANS TO TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY  
AND THE STATE OF TEXAS ON THE OCCASION  
OF HIS APPROACHING 100<sup>TH</sup> BIRTHDAY,  
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY**

On motion of Mr. Allen, seconded by Mr. O'Connor and by a unanimous vote, the following minute order was adopted:

Whereas, Sterling C. Evans '21, Distinguished Alumnus, and former Chairman of the Board of Regents (formerly Directors) of Texas A&M University, has contributed in numerous and substantial ways over his lifetime to benefit the University and the State of Texas; and

Whereas, Mr. Evans, during his tenure on the Board, played an important role in making military training, optional and admitting women, two decisions which spurred the growth and enhanced the reputation of the University; and

Whereas, Mr. Evans co-founded the Friends of the Texas A&M University Library, serving as its first president; and



Whereas, Mr. Evans became a major benefactor to the Library at Texas A&M University which was named in his honor upon completion of its expansion in 1979; and

Whereas, Mr. Evans among his many gifts to the University did substantially raise the stature of the library by contributing an endowed chair in library administration, one of the few such positions in academic libraries at the time; and

Whereas, Mr. Evans provided vital leadership to the State in agriculture and agribusiness, particularly as President of the Houston Bank for Cooperatives and later as President of the Federal Land Bank of Houston, Director of the Texas and Southwestern Cattle Raisers Association and as a renowned rancher and raiser of Santa Gertrudis cattle; and

Whereas, Mr. Evans, having received many awards for his leadership and contributions over the decades, has most recently been recognized by the Texas A&M Foundation which created a medal named in his honor and made him the first recipient of the Sterling C. Evans Medal; and

Whereas, Mr. Evans turns 100 in August of 1999; now, therefore, be it

Resolved, that the Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System proudly and gratefully recognize the lifelong contributions and achievements of Sterling C. Evans as he approaches his 100<sup>th</sup> birthday in 1999, hereby designating him as one of the outstanding Aggies of the Century; and, be it further

Resolved, that this resolution be duly recorded in the minutes, and copies thereof, signed by the Chairman of the Board or Regents, be presented to Mr. Evans and to the Archives of Texas A&M University as an expression of appreciation for his leadership and commitment to the Library, Texas A&M University, The Texas A&M University System, and the State of Texas.

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Mr. Powell called on Dr. Thompson to present Items 30, 31 and 32. The Board took action as set forth below:

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**MINUTE ORDER 033-1999 (AGENDA ITEM 30)**

**GRANTING OF TENURE,  
THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM**

On motion of Mr. McClure, seconded by Mr. Nye and by a unanimous vote, the following minute order was adopted:

The Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System, in accordance with System Policy 12.01 on academic freedom, responsibility and tenure, hereby authorizes the granting of tenure to the following faculty members as set forth on Tenure List 98-99-02, a copy of which is attached to the official minutes as **Exhibit K**.

**MINUTE ORDER 034-1999 (AGENDA ITEM 31)**

**GRANTING OF EMERITUS TITLES,  
THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM**

On motion of Dr. Avilés, seconded by Mr. Nye and by a unanimous vote, the following minute order was adopted:

In recognition of long and distinguished service to The Texas A&M University System, the Board of Regents hereby confirms the recommendation of the Chancellor, and confers the title of "Emeritus/Emerita" upon individuals as shown on Emeritus Title List No. 98-99-03, a copy of which is attached to the official minutes as **Exhibit L**, and grants all rights and privileges of this title.

**MINUTE ORDER 035-1999 (AGENDA ITEM 32)**

**CONFIRMATION OF  
APPOINTMENTS, PROMOTIONS AND TERMINATIONS,  
THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM**

On motion of Mr. Allen, seconded by Mr. O'Connor and by a unanimous vote, the following minute order was adopted:

The appointments, promotions and terminations accepted and approved by the Chief Executive Officers of the respective Components of The Texas A&M University System, or their designees, as shown on Appointment List No. 98-99-03, a copy of which is attached to the official minutes as **Exhibit M**, Promotion List No. 98-99-03, a copy of which is attached to the official minutes as **Exhibit N**, and Terminations List 98-99-03, a copy of which are attached to the official minutes as **Exhibit O**, are hereby confirmed.

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Mr. Powell called on Dr. McFarland to present Item 33. The Board took action as set forth below:

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**MINUTE ORDER 036-1999 (AGENDA ITEM 33)**

**APPOINTMENT OF MR. JACK GRAY AS  
VICE PRESIDENT FOR MARKETING AND RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT,  
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY-COMMERCE**

On motion of Mr. Allen, seconded by Mr. O'Connor and by a unanimous vote, the following minute order was adopted:

Mr. Jack Gray is appointed to the position of Vice President for Marketing and Resource Development at Texas A&M University-Commerce, effective June 1, 1999.

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Mr. Powell called on Dr. Jay Noren, Vice Chancellor , to present Items 34, 35, 36, 37 and 38. The Board took action as set forth below:

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**MINUTE ORDER 037-1999 (AGENDA ITEM 34)**

**APPROVAL OF APPOINTMENT OF  
MR. DOUGLAS P. VENUTI AS  
INTERIM VICE PRESIDENT FOR  
FINANCE AND BUSINESS SERVICES,  
THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM HEALTH SCIENCE CENTER**

On motion of Mr. Allen, seconded by Mr. O'Connor and by a unanimous vote, the following minute order was adopted:

Mr. Douglas P. Venuti's appointment as Interim Vice President for Finance and Business Services for The Texas A&M University System Health Science Center, effective immediately, is hereby approved.

**MINUTE ORDER 038-1999 (AGENDA ITEM 35)**

**APPROVAL OF  
APPOINTMENT OF  
DR. ELVIN E. SMITH AS  
INTERIM EXECUTIVE ADVISOR TO THE PRESIDENT,  
THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM HEALTH SCIENCE CENTER**

On motion of Mr. Allen, seconded by Mr. O'Connor and by a unanimous vote, the following minute order was adopted:

Dr. Elvin E. Smith's appointment as Interim Executive Advisor to the President for The Texas A&M University System Health Science Center, effective immediately, is hereby approved.

**MINUTE ORDER 039-1999 (AGENDA ITEM 36)**

**APPROVAL OF  
APPOINTMENT OF  
DR. MICHAEL L. FRIEDLAND AS  
INTERIM EXECUTIVE VICE PRESIDENT FOR ACADEMIC AFFAIRS,  
THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM HEALTH SCIENCE CENTER**

On motion of Mr. Allen, seconded by Mr. O'Connor and by a unanimous vote, the following minute order was adopted:

Dr. Michael L. Friedland's appointment as Interim Executive Vice President for Academic Affairs for The Texas A&M University System Health Science Center, effective immediately, is hereby approved.

**MINUTE ORDER 040-1999 (AGENDA ITEM 37)**

**APPROVAL OF  
APPOINTMENT OF  
DR. FULLER W. BAZER AS  
INTERIM EXECUTIVE VICE PRESIDENT  
FOR RESEARCH AND DEAN, GRADUATE SCHOOL  
OF BIOMEDICAL SCIENCES,  
THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM HEALTH SCIENCE CENTER**

On motion of Mr. Allen, seconded by Mr. O'Connor and by a unanimous vote, the following minute order was adopted:

Dr. Fuller W. Bazer's appointment as Interim Vice President for Research and Dean, Graduate School of Biomedical Sciences at The Texas A&M University System Health Science Center, effective immediately, is hereby approved.

**MINUTE ORDER 041-1999 (AGENDA ITEM 38)**

**APPOINTMENT OF  
MR. MICHAEL G. O'QUINN  
AS VICE PRESIDENT FOR GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS,  
THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM HEALTH SCIENCE CENTER**

On motion of Mr. Allen, seconded by Mr. O'Connor and by a unanimous vote, the following minute order was adopted:

Mr. Michael G. O'Quinn's appointment as Vice President for Governmental Affairs for The Texas A&M University System Health Science Center, effective immediately, is hereby approved.

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Mr. Powell called on Dr. J. Charles Jennett, President of Texas A&M International University, to present Item 39. The Board took action as set forth below:

MINUTE ORDER 042-1999 (AGENDA ITEM 39)

**APPOINTMENT OF
DR. RAY M. KECK, III
AS PROVOST AND VICE PRESIDENT FOR ACADEMIC AFFAIRS,
TEXAS A&M INTERNATIONAL UNIVERSITY**

On motion of Mr. Lindsey, seconded by Mr. O'Connor and by a unanimous vote, the following minute order was adopted:

Upon recommendation of Chancellor Barry B. Thompson and Dr. J. Charles Jennett, Dr. Ray M. Keck, III is hereby appointed Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs for Texas A&M International University effective January 1, 1999. The annual salary for this position is \$104,000.

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Mr. Powell presented Item 42 and the Board took action as set forth below:

**MINUTE ORDER 043-1999 (AGENDA ITEM 42)**

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF  
DECEMBER 3, 1998, REGULAR MEETING;  
DECEMBER 2, 1998, SPECIAL MEETING;  
NOVEMBER 18, 1998, SPECIAL MEETING;  
NOVEMBER 13, 1998, SPECIAL MEETING;  
OCTOBER 28, 1998, SPECIAL MEETING;  
OCTOBER 17, 1998, SPECIAL MEETING;  
AUGUST 19, 1998, SPECIAL TELEPHONIC MEETING;  
AUGUST 6-7, 1998, SPECIAL MEETING;  
JULY 28, 1998, SPECIAL TELEPHONIC MEETING;  
JULY 24, 1998, SPECIAL MEETING;  
MAY 29, 1998, SPECIAL MEETING;  
MAY 1, 1998, SPECIAL MEETING;  
FEBRUARY 16, 1998, SPECIAL MEETING;  
FEBRUARY 4, 1998, SPECIAL EMERGENCY MEETING,  
BOARD OF REGENTS OF THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM**

On motion of Mr. McClure, seconded by Mr. Nye and by a unanimous vote, the following minute order was adopted:

The Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System held in College Station, Texas, on December 3, 1998, are hereby approved.

The Minutes of the Special Meeting of the Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System held in College Station, Texas, on December 2, 1998, are hereby approved.

The Minutes of the Special Meeting of the Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System held in Dallas, Texas, on November 18, 1998, are hereby approved.

The Minutes of the Special Meeting of the Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System held in College Station, Texas, on November 13, 1998, are hereby approved.

The Minutes of the Special Meeting of the Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System held in College Station, Texas, on October 28, 1998, are hereby approved.

The Minutes of the Special Meeting of the Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System held in College Station, Texas, on October 17, 1998, are hereby approved.

The Minutes of the Special Telephonic Meeting of the Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System held in College Station, Texas, on August 19, 1998, are hereby approved.

The Minutes of the Special Meeting of the Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System held in Houston, Texas, on August 6-7, 1998, are hereby approved.

The Minutes of the Special Telephonic Meeting of the Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System held in College Station, Texas, on July 28, 1998, are hereby approved.

The Minutes of the Special Meeting of the Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System held in College Station, Texas, on July 24, 1998, are hereby approved.

The Minutes of the Special Meeting of the Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System held in College Station, Texas, on May 29, 1998, are hereby approved.

The Minutes of the Special Meeting of the Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System held in College Station, Texas, on May 1, 1998, are hereby approved.

The Minutes of the Special Meeting of the Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System held in Austin, Texas, on February 16, 1998, are hereby approved.

The Minutes of the Special Emergency Meeting of the Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System held in Dallas, Texas, on February 4, 1998, are hereby approved.

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Upon the request of Mr. Powell, Mr. McClure read Agenda Items 43, 44 and 45 recognizing John H. Lindsey, M. Guadalupe L. Rangel and T. Michael O'Connor, respectively, for their distinguished service as members of the Board of Regents. The Board took action as set forth below:

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**MINUTE ORDER 044-1999 (AGENDA ITEM 43)**

**ADOPTION OF A RESOLUTION HONORING  
JOHN H. LINDSEY  
AND BESTOWING THE TITLE OF REGENT EMERITUS,  
THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM**

On motion of Mr. Nye, seconded by Ms. Armstrong and by a unanimous vote, the following minute order was adopted:

Whereas, Mr. John H. Lindsey, having been appointed by Governor Ann Richards, has given six years of honorable and dedicated service to the Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System beginning in 1993; and

Whereas, during Mr. Lindsey's tenure on the Board, The Texas A&M University System acquired Texas A&M University-Commerce, Texas A&M University-Texarkana and Baylor College of Dentistry, growing to nine universities and eight state agencies, and developed the new statewide Texas A&M University System Health Science Center; and

Whereas, the A&M System enrollment increased to more than 88,000 students, research expenditures grew to more than \$400 million and the System reached out to 3.5 million Texans each year during his service on the Board; and

Whereas, he served as chairman of the Facilities Planning and Building Committee for three years during the construction of building projects totaling as much as \$250 million at one time, including the new eight-building campus at Texas A&M International University, the first new university campus in Texas in 25 years; and

Whereas, Regent Lindsey has been a proponent of innovative solutions to various challenges facing the A&M System, such as implementing eight privatized student housing agreements to provide housing for 3,000 students at four universities at no cost to the A&M System; and

Whereas, he has been a strong and influential leader in fund-raising for A&M System institutions and programs and has promoted a greater investment in the arts; and

Whereas, he served on the Board's former Finance and Audit Committee and was instrumental in implementing a new investment policy for the System concentration and endowment accounts, significantly increasing investment returns; and

Whereas, Mr. Lindsey earned a bachelor's degree in economics from Texas A&M University, and subsequently served his country as a first lieutenant in the U.S. Army Artillery during World War II in Italy and Japan; and

Whereas, his pride, love and loyalty to his alma mater, Texas A&M University, includes serving as chairman of the Texas A&M University Capital Campaign, which raised over \$600 million, more than \$100 million above the campaign's goal; and

Whereas, Mr. Lindsey was instrumental in raising the necessary funds to bring the George Bush Presidential Library to the Texas A&M campus, serving on the board of the Presidential Library Foundation and as a trustee of the George Bush Presidential Library; and

Whereas, he also has served on the board of the Texas A&M University Press, which honored him by dedicating its building in his honor, as well as the boards of the Research Foundation, Institute of Biosciences and Technology, Mosher Institute for International Policy Studies, and the Center for Presidential Studies, all at Texas A&M; and

Whereas, Mr. Lindsey was elected as president of the Texas A&M Association of Former Students in 1964 and received the Distinguished Alumnus Award from Texas A&M in 1978; and

Whereas, Mr. Lindsey has received notable recognition throughout his life as esteemed businessman, community volunteer and philanthropist, and is tirelessly dedicated to the Houston community, serving on the boards of the Alley Theatre, Houston YMCA, Houston Museum of Fine Arts, the Houston Grand Opera and South Texas College of Law, among others; and

Whereas, he served as Chairman of the Campus Art and Aesthetic Improvement Committee and as a member of the Committee on Audit, Committee on Buildings and Physical Plant and on the Ad Hoc Committee to Develop Criteria for Future System Expansion and the Ad Hoc Compensation Committee; and

Whereas, Regent Lindsey also served as Vice Chairman of the former Facilities Planning and Building Committee, Committee for Academic



Campuses, and Finance and Audit Committee, and as a member of the Special System Policies Committee; and

Whereas, he has served as the Board of Regents appointee to the Texas A&M Foundation and to the Bill and Irma Runyon Art Collection Committee, and as Board liaison to Texas A&M University and Texas A&M University at Galveston; and

Whereas, The Texas A&M University System and the State of Texas acknowledge Mr. Lindsey's lifetime contributions to Texas higher education and The Texas A&M University System; now, therefore, be it

Resolved, that we, members of the Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System, meeting on this 29<sup>th</sup> day of January 1999, express our deepest gratitude and respect for his distinguished service; and, be it, further

Resolved, that in honor of his service to the Board, we bestow the title of Regent Emeritus of the Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System, with all the rights and privileges pertaining thereto, upon Mr. John H. Lindsey; and, be it, further

Resolved, that this resolution be spread upon the minutes, and copies thereof, be presented to Mr. Lindsey and to the Archives of The Texas A&M University System as a permanent tribute to the high esteem in which he is held.

**MINUTE ORDER 045-1999 (AGENDA ITEM 44)**

**ADOPTION OF A RESOLUTION HONORING  
M. GUADALUPE L. RANGEL  
AND BESTOWING THE TITLE OF REGENT EMERITA,  
THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM**

On motion of Mr. Nye, seconded by Ms. Armstrong and by a unanimous vote, the following minute order was adopted:

Whereas, Mrs. M. Guadalupe L. Rangel, who has devoted her life to education, having been appointed by Governor Ann Richards, has served the Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System with distinction for six years, from 1993 to 1999; and

Whereas, during Regent Rangel's tenure on the Board, The Texas A&M University System acquired Texas A&M University-Commerce, Texas A&M University-Texarkana and Baylor College of Dentistry, growing to nine universities and eight state agencies, and developed the new statewide Texas A&M University System Health Science Center; and

Whereas, the A&M System enrollment increased to more than 88,000 students, research expenditures grew to more than \$400 million and the

System reached out to 3.5 million Texans each year during her service on the Board; and

Whereas, she has been a strong advocate for the students of The Texas A&M University System and a leader in promoting academic issues as chairman of the Committee on Academic and Student Affairs for two years and, previously, as chairman of the Committee on Academic Campuses for three years; and

Whereas, Mrs. Rangel has reviewed and recommended the addition of more than 70 new degree programs at A&M System universities in the past six years, thereby providing increased educational opportunities for current and potential students; and

Whereas, she has been a compassionate and convincing voice in strengthening access and opportunity for women and minorities at all A&M System institutions; and

Whereas, Regent Rangel was instrumental in ensuring the recruitment and retention of high-quality faculty through the implementation of the A&M System's first-ever post-tenure review process; and

Whereas, she has been a tireless proponent of increased partnerships with public schools, expanded library and distance learning resources and promoted a greater emphasis on the arts; and

Whereas, Mrs. Rangel has devoted countless hours to revising, updating and creating more than 100 policies for The Texas A&M University System by her outstanding leadership and direction as the first chairman of a special System Policies Committee, including implementation of a comprehensive ethics policy and training program; and

Whereas, Mrs. Rangel earned a master's degree in education from the Harvard School of Education and a bachelor's degree in English and French from the University of Houston; and

Whereas, she formerly taught English at the college level; is a founder and former member of the Corpus Christi Literacy Council; and has served on various boards for the Corpus Christi Independent School District, Corpus Christi Museum of Science and History, Creative Arts Center and South Texas Public Broadcasting Service, as well as graduating from the prestigious "Leadership Texas" program; and

Whereas, Mrs. Rangel also served as a member of the Committee on Audit and Campus Art and Aesthetic Improvement Committee and on the Ad Hoc Committee to Develop Criteria for Future System Expansion; and

Whereas, she served as Vice Chairman of the former Facilities Planning and Building Committee and as a member of the Committee for Service Units

and the Legislative Committee and as the Board liaison to Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi; and

Whereas, she has continuously demonstrated her commitment to the students in the A&M System through her caring attitude, unwavering commitment and willingness to serve as a role model, always placing student concerns and issues at the highest priority; and

Whereas, The Texas A&M University System and the State of Texas acknowledge Mrs. Rangel's unselfish contributions of effective leadership, community and public service and recognize that she has served with dignity, wisdom and diligence; now, therefore, be it

Resolved, that we, members of the Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System, meeting on this 29<sup>th</sup> day of January 1999, express our deepest heartfelt gratitude and respect for her outstanding service and dedication to The Texas A&M University System; and, be it, further

Resolved, that in honor of her service to the Board, we bestow the title of Regent Emerita of the Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System, with all the rights and privileges pertaining thereto, upon Mrs. M. Guadalupe L. Rangel; and, be it, further

Resolved, that this resolution be spread upon the minutes, and copies thereof, be presented to Regent Rangel and to the Archives of The Texas A&M University System as a permanent tribute to the high esteem in which she is held.

**MINUTE ORDER 046-1999 (AGENDA ITEM 45)**

**ADOPTION OF A RESOLUTION HONORING  
T. MICHAEL O'CONNOR  
AND BESTOWING THE TITLE OF VICE CHAIRMAN EMERITUS,  
THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM**

On motion of Mr. Nye, seconded by Ms. Armstrong and by a unanimous vote, the following minute order was adopted:

Whereas, Vice Chairman T. Michael O'Connor, a strong and determined leader, appointed to the Board of Regents by Governor Ann Richards, has served the Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System with honor for six years, from 1993 to 1999; and

Whereas, he was elected Vice Chairman of the Board of Regents in 1995 and re-elected to this position in 1997, always performing his vice chairmanship duties with due diligence, straightforwardness and diplomacy; and

Whereas, under Vice Chairman O'Connor's tenure, The Texas A&M University System acquired Texas A&M University-Commerce, Texas A&M University-Texarkana and Baylor College of Dentistry, growing to nine universities and eight state agencies, and developed the new statewide Texas A&M University System Health Science Center; and

Whereas, the A&M System enrollment increased to more than 88,000 students, research expenditures grew to more than \$400 million, and the System reached out to 3.5 million Texans each year during his service on the Board; and

Whereas, Mr. O'Connor has been a powerful champion for Texas higher education and The Texas A&M University System with state-appointed and elected officials and was instrumental in securing increased funding for the A&M System in the 1995 and 1997 legislative sessions; and

Whereas, he encouraged and supported partnerships among and expansion of the agriculture and engineering programs at all A&M System universities and agencies; and

Whereas, he was instrumental in developing and implementing an Executive Management Information Reporting System throughout the A&M System, which consolidates academic, agency and financial data into one quarterly report and makes the report available electronically; and

Whereas, while serving as Vice Chairman of the Board, he also chaired the current Legislative and Transportation Committees, and served on the Committee on Finance and the Committee on Buildings and Physical Plant, as well as the Ad Hoc Committees on Future System Expansion and Compensation; and

Whereas, he chaired the former Committees for Service Units and Land and Mineral Resources, served as vice chairman of the System Policies Committee and served on the former Facilities Planning and Building Committee, Executive Committee and Finance and Audit Committee, as well as the Special Committee on Board Bylaws and the Task Force for Board Operations; and

Whereas, Mr. O'Connor is a highly respected rancher and agribusiness leader and has been a steadfast supporter of The Texas A&M University System Agriculture Program, serving in leadership roles on the Texas A&M University College of Agriculture Development Council and on the Caesar Kleberg Wildlife Institute Board at Texas A&M University-Kingsville; and

Whereas, he has served as the Board of Regents' appointee to the Board for Lease of University Lands and the Executive Committee of the Panhandle Plains Historical Museum, and Board liaison to Texas A&M University-Kingsville, the Texas A&M University Development Foundation and the Texas A&M Research Foundation; and

Whereas, Vice Chairman O'Connor has given countless hours in support of student groups across the A&M System and is known as a thoughtful listener of students' concerns and a strong advocate of student issues; and

Whereas, he received his bachelor's degree in Range Science from Texas A&M University in 1977; and

Whereas, he is noted statewide as an outstanding resource and role model for A&M System students and all Texans in the areas of ranching, agribusiness, oil and gas, banking, environmental and natural resource conservation, and wildlife enhancement; and

Whereas, The Texas A&M University System and the State of Texas acknowledge Vice Chairman O'Connor's unselfish contributions of effective leadership, dedication and vision, and recognize that he has served with distinction and determination; now, therefore, be it

Resolved, that we, members of the Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System, meeting on this 29<sup>th</sup> day of January 1999, express our deepest heartfelt gratitude and respect for his outstanding service and unwavering commitment to The Texas A&M University System; and, be it, further

Resolved, that in honor of his service to the Board, we bestow the title of Vice Chairman Emeritus of the Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System, with all the rights and privileges pertaining thereto, upon Mr. T. Michael O'Connor; and, be it, further

Resolved, that this resolution be spread upon the minutes, and copies thereof, be presented to Vice Chairman O'Connor and to the Archives of The Texas A&M University System as a permanent tribute to the high esteem in which he is held.

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Mr. Powell said the next regular meeting would be held on March 25-26, 1999, in College Station, Texas.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Mr. Powell adjourned the meeting at 3:05 p.m., on Friday, January 29, 1999.

Vickie Burt

Executive Secretary to the Board of Regents
The Texas A&M University System

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