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A special telephonic 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 11:35 a.m., on Wednesday, August 19, 1998, in the Board of Regents Meeting Room, on the campus of Texas A&M University, College Station, Texas.

The following member of the Board was present in the Board Meeting Room:

Mr. Don Powell, Chairman

The following members of the Board were telephonically present:

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

Mr. Powell said the purpose of the meeting was to consider any and all matters and take any and all actions the Board deemed necessary and appropriate regarding appointments to the following positions: President of Texas A&M University-Commerce, President of Texas A&M University-Kingsville, President of The Texas A&M University System Health Science Center, and Director of the Texas Agricultural Extension Service.

At 11:37 a.m., Mr. Powell announced that having convened in open session, the Board would convene in a closed session as permitted by Section 551.074 of the Texas Government Code, 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. Mr. Powell said in accordance with the law, no action, decision, or vote with regard to any matter considered in the closed meeting would be made or taken.

At 12:10 p.m., Mr. Powell reconvened the meeting of the Board in open session and announced that the Board had met in closed session from 11:37 a.m. until 12:10 p.m.

The Board took action as set forth below:

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**(MINUTE ORDER 164-98)**

**APPOINTMENT OF  
DR. KEITH D. MCFARLAND  
AS PRESIDENT OF TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY-COMMERCE,  
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:

Dr. Keith D. McFarland is hereby appointed as President of Texas A&M University-Commerce, effective September 1, 1998.

*(Secretary's Note: Mr. Powell called the roll to take the vote on this item.)*

**(MINUTE ORDER 165-98)**

**APPOINTMENT OF  
GENERAL MARC CISNEROS  
AS PRESIDENT OF TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY-KINGSVILLE,  
THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM**

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

General Marc Cisneros is hereby appointed as President of Texas A&M University-Kingsville, effective September 1, 1998.

*(Secretary's Note: Mr. Powell called the roll to take the vote on this item.)*

**(MINUTE ORDER 166-98)**

**SELECTION OF  
DR. JAY NOREN  
AS PRESIDENT OF THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM  
HEALTH SCIENCE CENTER,  
THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM**

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

Dr. Jay Noren is hereby selected as President of The Texas A&M University System Health Science Center, effective January 1, 1999.

*(Secretary's Note: Mr. Powell called the roll to take the vote on this item.)*

*(Secretary's Note: At the meeting of the Board of Regents on December 3, 1998, Dr. Noren was appointed as President of The Texas A&M University System Health Science Center and Vice Chancellor for Health Affairs, effective January 1, 1999.)*

**(MINUTE ORDER 167-98)**

**APPOINTMENT OF  
DR. EDWARD A. HILER  
AS DIRECTOR OF THE  
TEXAS AGRICULTURAL EXTENSION SERVICE,  
THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM**

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

Dr. Edward A. Hiler is hereby appointed as Director of the Texas Agricultural Extension Service, effective September 1, 1998.

*(Secretary's Note: Mr. Powell called the roll to take the vote on this item.)*

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Mr. Powell asked Dr. Thompson to contact the candidates.

There being no further business, Mr. Powell adjourned the special telephonic meeting of the Board at 12:15 p.m., the same day.

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

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