MOTION FROM OPEN SESSION May 3, 2012

I move that the U. T. System Board of Regents commit to the development of a medical school in South Texas that fully utilizes the three existing academic and research buildings constructed at the medical education and research divisions of the Regional Academic Health Center funded by the Texas Legislature and U. T. System.

I further move that the establishment of this new medical school be contingent on the continuation and application of current State funding for the RAHC being available for a new South Texas medical school and the successful establishment of adequate residency programs across Cameron, Hidalgo, Starr, Webb, and Willacy Counties to support education and training for a medical school.

I also move that, in the absence of discretionary funds under the control of the Board of Regents to provide operating funds for a medical school in South Texas, the establishment of the new medical school be contingent on the continuing availability of reliable and sufficient additional resources for a medical school, including funding from local communities, and additional State funds, the pursuit of which will be a high priority for the U. T. System in the upcoming 83rd legislative session, that are adequate to sustain the ongoing operations of a medical school.