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1. <u>U. T. San Antonio: Honorific naming of the Business Building Auditorium</u> as the Richard S. Liu Auditorium

RECOMMENDATION

The Chancellor concurs in the recommendation of the Executive Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs, the Executive Vice Chancellor for Business Affairs, the Vice Chancellor for External Relations, and President Romo that the U. T. Board of Regents approve the naming of the Business Building Auditorium as the Richard S. Liu Auditorium.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

The 325-seat auditorium on the second floor of the Business Building serves as the venue for numerous major events and classes for thousands of College of Business students each semester.

The honorific naming of the auditorium is a fitting tribute to a generous friend who has dedicated himself to helping business students in China and the United States realize their dreams. That commitment has manifested itself in gifts and pledges to U. T. San Antonio totaling \$3 million to create and expand the Liu Family Foundation U.S.-China Business Education Initiative. The key components of the initiative include graduate student and faculty exchanges, executive educational opportunities, research collaboration, and joint programs between the College of Business and top universities in China. This initiative sets a standard for U. T. San Antonio as international programs expand on campus.

Since the program began in 1998, 100 Chinese students have been awarded a Certificate in American Business Studies from the College of Business after completing a one-semester curriculum. A number of U. T. San Antonio students have also studied in China as a part of the Liu Family Foundation U.S.-China Business Education Initiative.

Mr. Liu, a native of Taiwan who began his business career in 1972, is owner and CEO of Hong King-based Superior Leather Limited, one of the world's leading manufacturers of leather goods. In addition to his gifts to U. T. San Antonio, Mr. Liu's philanthropy in the United States includes large gifts to the University of California at Berkeley for Law, Urban Policy, and East Asian programs.

Mr. Liu takes pride in visiting the Liu Scholars from China while they are studying as well as in hosting exchange students in his home country each year.

The proposed naming of the Business Building Auditorium at U. T. San Antonio to recognize the distinguished contributions of Mr. Richard S. Liu is consistent with the Regents' *Rules and Regulations*, Series 80307, relating to honorific naming of facilities.

2. <u>U. T. Board of Regents: Resolution to support efforts by the State of Texas</u> regarding funding for emerging technology

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Board approve the following resolution in support of efforts to develop and enhance research:

RESOLUTION

Whereas, Efforts to strengthen the research infrastructure and capacity of The University of Texas System and of other institutions of higher education in the State are essential for continued improvement of quality of life, health, and economic development in the State of Texas;

Whereas, Furthering this research mission requires the recruitment and retention of outstanding scientists and researchers in Texas;

Whereas, Success in research will be dependent upon creation, development, and enhancement of new and existing centers of research excellence throughout the State of Texas;

Whereas, Developments in research will require the creation, support, and encouragement of new collaborations between those academic institutions, between academic institutions and industry, and between academic institutions and the federal laboratories;

Whereas, Commitment in several other research-intensive states to provide substantial amounts of public monies to support research increased the competitive environment for the State of Texas;

Whereas, Overall federal funding of research is unlikely to grow in the next several years, thereby increasing the competition for obtaining federal funds; and

Whereas, Successful competition for extramural funding including federal dollars requires creation of critical masses of scientists and researchers as well as expensive equipment in core facilities.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the U. T. System Board of Regents strongly support and encourage initiatives by the State of Texas that will provide the resources of \$300 million to recruit and retain the most outstanding scientists and researchers; to create, develop, and enhance new and existing centers of excellence for research; and to facilitate partnerships between and among institutions and with the private sector and between academic institutions and the federal laboratories.

3. <u>U. T. System: Discussion and forum regarding issues concerning Los Alamos National Laboratory</u>

Chancellor Mark Yudof and Dr. Robert Barnhill, Vice Chancellor for Research and Technology Transfer, will lead a discussion concerning issues related to Los Alamos National Laboratory.

It is anticipated that invited speakers and individuals requesting permission to address the Board will also provide comments. Chairman Huffines has informed individuals who asked to speak to the Board on this issue at the Board's Special Called Meeting on July 16, 2004, of this discussion and has invited them to speak.