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FOR SPECIAL CALLED TELEPHONE MEETING
of
THE UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS SYSTEM
BOARD OF REGENTS**

**August 9, 2011
Austin, Texas**

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| A. | CONVENE THE BOARD IN OPEN SESSION | <i>2:15 p.m.</i> |
| B. | RECESS TO EXECUTIVE SESSION PURSUANT TO <i>TEXAS GOVERNMENT CODE</i> , CHAPTER 551

Consultation with Attorney Regarding Legal Matters –
Section 551.071

U. T. Southwestern Medical Center: Discussion and appropriate action regarding legal matters related to pending investigations by the Department of Justice and the State of Texas | <i>2:20 p.m.</i> |
| C. | RECONVENE IN OPEN SESSION TO CONSIDER AGENDA ITEM AND ACTION, IF ANY, ON EXECUTIVE SESSION ITEM

U. T. Arlington: Honorific naming of the College Park residence hall as the Tom J. Vandergriff Hall at College Park | <i>2:55 p.m.</i>

Action
Dr. Safady |
| D. | ADJOURN | <i>3:00 p.m.</i> |

1. U. T. Arlington: Honorific naming of the College Park residence hall as the Tom J. Vandergriff Hall at College Park

RECOMMENDATION

The Chancellor concurs in the recommendation of the Executive Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs, the Vice Chancellor for External Relations, and President Spaniolo that the U. T. System Board of Regents approve the honorific naming of the College Park residence hall at U. T. Arlington as the Tom J. Vandergriff Hall at College Park to recognize the historic contribution of The Honorable Tom J. Vandergriff, which launched U. T. Arlington on a path to become a four-year research institution.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

The residence hall at College Park, currently under construction, is a 122,328 square foot building that will include 241 residence rooms, 15 Resident Assistant rooms, a laundry and vending area, study rooms, a multi-use common space, and an apartment for the Residence Hall Director. It is located in U. T. Arlington's College Park, Arlington, Tarrant County, Texas, an \$80 million mixed-use development that will include a residence hall and student apartments, retail space, and parking garages, and is scheduled for completion in August 2012.

The Honorable Tom J. Vandergriff died on December 30, 2010, at the age of 84. Serving as mayor of the City of Arlington from 1951-1977, he helped acquire additional land needed to expand the physical campus of what was then Arlington State College, enabling future expansion of the University. He helped win support for granting the two-year institution four-year status. He worked to move Arlington State College into The University of Texas System. Lawmakers renamed Arlington State College as The University of Texas at Arlington on March 11, 1967.

Mr. Vandergriff was elected to the United States Congress in 1983 and served until 1985, and was elected Tarrant County Judge and served from 1991-2007. The naming of the residence hall at College Park, given its proximity to downtown Arlington, is a fitting tribute to a man who gave a lifetime of service to the City of Arlington.

The proposed naming is consistent with the Regents' *Rules and Regulations*, Rule 80307, relating to the honorific naming of facilities. This honorific naming request is made as a tribute to former Mayor, Congressman and Tarrant County Judge Tom Vandergriff for his major role in helping to chart the path for U. T. Arlington.