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WEDNESDAY, APRIL 8, 2020.--The members of the Board of Regents of The University of Texas System convened a special called meeting at 1:30 p.m. via telephone conference call as authorized by Governor Abbott in response to the ongoing COVID-29 global pandemic on Wednesday, April 8, 2020, with the following participation:

ATTENDANCE.--

Present

Chairman Eltife
Vice Chairman Longoria
Vice Chairman Weaver
Regent Beck
Regent Crain
Regent Hicks
Regent Jiles
Regent Perez
Regent Warren
Regent Dominguez, Student Regent, nonvoting

In accordance with a notice being duly posted with the Secretary of State and there being a quorum present on the telephone, Chairman Eltife called the meeting to order in Open Session.

RECESS TO EXECUTIVE SESSION.--At 1:31 p.m., the Board recessed to Executive Session, pursuant to *Texas Government Code* Sections 551.071, 551.073, and 551.074 to consider the matters listed on the Executive Session agenda.

RECONVENE THE BOARD IN OPEN SESSION TO CONSIDER ACTION, IF ANY, ON EXECUTIVE SESSION ITEMS.--The Board reconvened in Open Session at 1:57 p.m. to consider action on the following items.

- 1a. U. T. System Academic Institutions: Discussion and appropriate action regarding proposed negotiated gifts, including potential naming features

No action was taken on this item.

- 1b. U. T. System Health Institutions: Discussion and appropriate action regarding proposed negotiated gifts, including potential naming features

Vice Chairman Weaver made the following motion:

I move that the U. T. System Board of Regents authorize Chancellor Milliken, Vice Chancellor Safady, and the President of the U. T. Health Science Center - San Antonio to conclude negotiations necessary to finalize, approve, and accept gifts and to finalize and execute any agreements with potential naming features for the benefit of the institution consistent with the terms and conditions outlined and recommended in Executive Session.

The motion was seconded by Vice Chairman Longoria and passed unanimously.

2. U. T. System: Discussion and appropriate action regarding individual personnel matters relating to appointment, employment, evaluation, compensation, assignment, and duties of presidents (academic and health institutions); U. T. System Administration officers (Executive Vice Chancellors and Vice Chancellors); other officers reporting directly to the Board (such as Chancellor, General Counsel to the Board, and Chief Audit Executive); Board members; and U. T. System and institutional employees

Following remarks from Chairman Eltife to thank President Fenves for his service at U. T. Austin, the Board was invited to make remarks. Chairman Eltife announced the planned appointment by Chancellor Milliken of Dr. Jay Hartzell, Dean of the McCombs School of Business, as interim president of U. T. Austin in response to the announced resignation of President Greg Fenves. Chancellor Milliken expressed his appreciation to President Fenves, noting there would be an opportunity to thank him more formally at a future meeting. Noting that these were challenging times and that it is critical to ensure effective leadership in the transition, Chancellor Milliken stated he strongly believes that Dean Hartzell is the right person to step in and lead at this critical time.

3. U. T. System Board of Regents: Discussion with Counsel on pending legal issues

No action was taken on this item.

ADJOURNMENT.--There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 2:07 p.m.

/s/ Tina E. Montemayor
Secretary to the Board of Regents
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