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TUESDAY, JULY 10, 2001.--The members of the Board of Regents of The University of Texas System convened at 8:05 a.m. on Tuesday, July 10, 2001, on the Ninth Floor, Ashbel Smith Hall, 201 West Seventh Street, Austin, Texas, with the following in attendance:

#### ATTENDANCE .--

Present

Chairman Miller, presiding Vice-Chairman Clements Vice-Chairman Riter Vice-Chairman Romero Regent Craven Regent Hunt Regent Krier Regent Oxford Absent Regent Sanchez

**Counsel and Secretary Frederick** 

In accordance with a notice being duly posted with the Secretary of State and there being a quorum present, Chairman Miller called the meeting to order. He announced that the purpose of this special called meeting was to consider matters of sufficient urgency to require immediate consideration by the Board prior to the next regularly scheduled meeting on August 8-9, 2001.

RECESS TO EXECUTIVE SESSION.--At 8:06 a.m., Chairman Miller announced that the Board would recess to convene in Executive Session pursuant to <u>Texas</u> <u>Government Code</u> Sections 551.071 and 551.073 to consider those matters listed on the Executive Session agenda.

RECONVENE.--At 9:10 a.m., the Board reconvened in open session for action on matters considered in Executive Session.

## EXECUTIVE SESSION OF THE BOARD OF REGENTS

Chairman Miller reported that the Board met in Executive Session to discuss matters in accordance with <u>Texas Government Code</u> Sections 551.071 and 551.073. In response to an inquiry from Chairman Miller regarding the wishes of the Board, the following actions were taken:

1. <u>U. T. Medical Branch - Galveston: Settlement of Medical Liability Litigation -</u> <u>Rainario Quintana, Individually and as Legal Guardian of the Person and</u> <u>Estate of Gladys Marguez</u>

Upon motion of Regent Oxford, seconded by Vice-Chairman Romero, the Board authorized the Chancellor and the Office of General Counsel to settle, on behalf of The University of Texas Medical Branch at Galveston physicians, the medical liability litigation brought by Rainario Quintana, individually and as legal guardian of the person and estate of Gladys Marquez, in accordance with the proposal presented in Executive Session.

2. <u>U. T. Health Science Center - Houston: Authorization to Settle Medical</u> <u>Liability Litigation - James Blodgett and Kelli Blodgett</u>

Regent Craven moved that the Board authorize the Chancellor and the Office of General Counsel to settle, on behalf of The University of Texas Health Science Center at Houston physicians, the medical liability litigation brought by James Blodgett and Kelli Blodgett in accordance with the proposal presented in Executive Session.

Regent Hunt seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

3. <u>U. T. Health Science Center - San Antonio: Settlement of Medical Liability</u> <u>Litigation - Ericka Routt</u>

Upon motion of Vice-Chairman Clements, duly seconded, the Board authorized the Chancellor and the Office of General Counsel to settle, on behalf of The University of Texas Health Science Center at San Antonio physicians, the medical liability litigation brought by Ericka Routt in accordance with the proposal presented in Executive Session.

## 4. U. T. System: Status Report on Hopwood Litigation

Chairman Miller reported that no action was required on the Executive Session report on the status of the *Hopwood* litigation at The University of Texas at Austin.

## 5. <u>U. T. Austin: Acceptance of Negotiated Gift and Authorization for President</u> Faulkner to Execute the Agreement (No Publicity)

In accordance with deliberation in Executive Session, Regent Krier moved that the U. T. Board of Regents authorize President Faulkner to conclude negotiations for a proposed gift to benefit The University of Texas at Austin in accordance with the parameters discussed in Executive Session. She further moved that President Faulkner be authorized to execute the gift agreement on behalf of the Board.

The motions were duly seconded and carried by unanimous vote.

It was requested that no publicity be given to this matter.

Note from the Counsel and Secretary to the Board: On the afternoon of July 10, 2001, President Faulkner held a press conference to announce the \$25 million gift from Mr. John A. Jackson to create an endowment to support the new School of Geosciences that will be named the John A. and Katherine G. Jackson School of Geosciences.

ADJOURNMENT.--Chairman Miller announced that the purpose for which this meeting was called had been completed and the meeting was duly adjourned at 9:20 a.m.

/s/ Francie A. Frederick Counsel and Secretary to the Board

July 17, 2001