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Dr. Brian McCall Named Sole Finalist for Position of Chancellor of the Texas State University System

AUSTIN - On Friday, March 26, 2010, the Board of Regents of the Texas State University System named Dr. Brian McCall of Plano, Texas as the sole finalist for the position of Chancellor of the seven-institution, 99-year old system, the oldest university system in Texas.

Dr. McCall has been president of the Dallas-based Westminster Capital Corporation since 2000 and a member of the Texas House of Representatives since 1991 where he has held several key posts, including chairman of the Committee on Calendars, member of the Committee on Higher Education, and member of the Legislative Budget Board.

He holds a Bachelor of Arts from Baylor University, a Master of Liberal Arts from Southern Methodist University, and a Doctor of Philosophy in the Humanities, Aesthetics from the University of Texas-Dallas. Additionally, he was a visiting post-graduate student in international politics at Oxford University in Oxford, England.

He is the author of *Power and the Texas Governor: Connally to Bush*, published by the University of Texas Press in 2009.

He is active in business and civic activities in Dallas, serving as an adjunct professor at the University of Texas-Dallas; as a member of bank and corporate boards; and as founder and chair of The Empowerment Project, Inc., a non-profit organization that has sent over \$10 million worth of math and science textbooks to needy students in the Republic of South Africa and raised over \$350,000 for children's health initiatives in North Texas.

“We are honored by Dr. McCall’s interest in leading the Texas State University System as it enters its centennial year; he is a man of great accomplishment,” stated Ron Blatchley of Bryan, Chairman of the Board of Regents.

“The Board will meet in late April to consider further Dr. McCall’s candidacy,” added Blatchley. By law, a university board of regents may not consider final action or take a vote on the employment of an applicant for chief executive officer of an institution of higher education before 21 days after giving public notice of the name of the finalist being considered.