



Texas Coalition for
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COALITION WELCOMES UT SYSTEM REGENT APPOINTMENTS

AUSTIN—The Texas Coalition for Excellence in Higher Education today issued the following statement following the announcement by Governor Greg Abbott that he had reappointed UT System Regent and Vice Chairman of the Board Steve Hicks, and appointed two new members to the Board, Sara Martinez Tucker and David Beck:

“We congratulate Gov. Abbott on regent selections that will help move The University of Texas System forward. We commend the reappointment of Regent Hicks, who has been a strong and positive leader on the board, and look forward to the new ideas, insights and experiences that Sara Martinez Tucker and David Beck will bring to the Board of Regents. Coupled with the new leadership provided by Chancellor McRaven, these appointments signal a new era of collaboration, cooperation and excellence for the System. We urge the Senate Committee on Nominations to move swiftly on confirmations.”

About the Coalition

The Texas Coalition for Excellence in Higher Education is a bipartisan group of concerned Texans who organized to publicly support and promote excellence in public higher education, and oppose policies and recommendations that are destructive to its quality and long-term sustainability. Our group includes former university presidents, chancellors and regents, as well as numerous business leaders, philanthropists and more than 400 prominent and engaged Texans. Formed in 2011, in response to a growing concern over recommendations being floated that could have long-term damaging effects on our institutions of higher learning, the Coalition hopes to advance a thoughtful, constructive and transparent dialogue around higher education in Texas, seeking to improve the quality educational opportunities for all Texans.

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