



Texas Coalition for  
Excellence in Higher Education

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## **COALITION WELCOMES TEXAS A&M 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 Texas A&M System Regent Phil Adams, and appointed two new members to the Board, Bob Albritton and Bill Mahomes, Jr.:

"We commend Governor Abbott on the appointment of regents who will advance the Texas A&M University System. The institutions within the System play a vitally important role in our economy as well as preparing our citizens for the future, and it is significant that one of Governor Abbott's first official acts reflects his top priority on higher education. The Texas A&M University System faces a challenging environment in the near future. The 84th Legislature begins its work, which will require the attention of the Board of Regents, Chancellor and institutional leaders. And the Board of Regents has the important task of naming a president for its flagship, Texas A&M University. Regent Phil Adams' reappointment allows him to continue his service without interruption, and we urge the rapid confirmation of nominees Bob Albritton and Bill Mahomes, Jr."

### **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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