

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 200

WHEREAS, The Senate of the State of Texas is pleased to recognize Dr. and Mrs. Franklyn G. Jenifer, who are being honored at an appreciation dinner hosted by the Development Board of The University of Texas at Dallas on May 20, 2004; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Jenifer is retiring as president of The University of Texas at Dallas after leading the school through a decade of exciting growth; and

WHEREAS, He has overseen a dramatic increase in enrollment and research classroom space, the attainment of a \$33 million endowment to support the Eugene McDermott Scholars Program, and the creation of a partnership with Texas Instruments and the State of Texas to move the school toward becoming a nationally ranked, tier-one research institution; and

WHEREAS, Under Dr. Jenifer's leadership the university has raised funding for scholarships for gifted freshmen and for enlarging the school of engineering and computer science and has secured full Southern States accreditation; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Jenifer has bachelor's and master's degrees in microbiology from Howard University and a doctorate in philosophy from the University of Maryland; he has held positions at several universities and served as president of Howard University before coming to The University of Texas at Dallas in 1994; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Jenifer has earned the high regard and respect of the faculty, staff, and students at The University of Texas at Dallas for his strong and innovative leadership, and his wisdom and wise counsel will be greatly missed; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 78th Legislature, 4th Called Session, hereby commend Dr. Franklyn G. Jenifer for his outstanding service as president of The University of Texas at Dallas and recognize Dr. and Mrs. Jenifer on the occasion of the appreciation dinner in their honor; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution be prepared for them as an expression of esteem from the Texas Senate.

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President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on May 17, 2004.

Secretary of the Senate

Member, Texas Senate