April 17, 2006

The Honorable Roger Williams
Secretary of State
State Capitol Room 1E.8
Austin, Texas 78701

Dear Mr. Secretary:

Pursuant to Article IV, Section 8, of the Texas Constitution and his powers as the chief executive officer and governor of the State of Texas, Rick Perry has issued the following proclamation:

Calling a special session of the 79th Texas Legislature to begin at 2 p.m. on Monday, April 17, 2006, for the purpose of considering changes to the public system of education finance.

The official copy of this order is attached to this letter of transmittal.

Respectfully submitted,

Gregory S. Davidson
Executive Clerk

GSD/gsd

Attachment
PROCLAMATION
BY THE
Governor of the State of Texas

TO ALL TO WHOM THESE PRESENTS SHALL COME:

WHEREAS, education is the foundation for the economic and cultural future of the state of Texas and the constitutional responsibility for the development of an efficient system of public education rests with the legislature; and

WHEREAS, the current state of public school finance requires immediate action by the legislature to ensure the continued efficient and effective operation of Texas schools due to the Texas Supreme Court’s conclusion that the public education finance system violates article VIII, section 1-e of the Texas Constitution and the Texas Supreme Court has given the legislature until June 1, 2006 to change the public education finance system; and

WHEREAS, the people have placed the constitutional power to call and convene the legislature into special session in the hands of the Chief Executive Officer of the State;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, RICK PERRY, GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF TEXAS, by the authority vested in me by Article IV, Section 8, of the Texas Constitution, do hereby call an extraordinary session of the 79th Legislature, to be convened in the city of Austin, commencing at 2 p.m. on Monday the 17th day of April 2006, for the following purposes:

To consider legislation that provides for school district property tax relief.
To consider legislation that provides for modification of the franchise tax.
To consider legislation that provides for modification of the motor vehicle sales and use tax.
To consider legislation that provides for modification of the tax on tobacco products.
To consider legislation that provides for an appropriation to the Texas Education Agency.

The Secretary of State will take notice of this action and will notify the members of the Legislature of my action.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereto signed my name and have officially caused the Seal of State to be affixed at my Office in the City of Austin, Texas, this the 17th day of April 2006.

Rick Perry
Governor of Texas

ATTESTED BY:

Roger Williams
Secretary of State

FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE
10:32 AM, 1 O'Clock
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OFFICIAL MEMORANDUM
STATE OF TEXAS
OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

MESSAGE

TO THE SENATE AND HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE SEVENTY-NINTH TEXAS LEGISLATURE, THIRD CALLED SESSION:

WHEREAS, the people of Texas through their state constitution have placed the power to call the legislature into special session in the hands of the chief executive officer of the state; and

WHEREAS, the members of the Seventy-Ninth Texas Legislature, Third Called Session, have now convened to consider items presented to them by the governor;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, RICK PERRY, Governor of the State of Texas, by the authority vested in me by Article IV, Section 8 and Article III, Section 40 of the Texas Constitution, do hereby present the following subject matter to the Seventy-Ninth Texas Legislature, Third Called Session for consideration:

Legislation that provides for the issuance of revenue bonds or other obligations to fund capital projects at public institutions of higher education.

Legislation that provides for an appropriation to the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board to fund debt service on revenue bonds or other obligations on capital projects at public institutions of higher education.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have signed my name officially and caused the Seal of the State to be affixed hereto at Austin, this 11th day of May, 2006.

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Legislation relating to relating to appropriations to pay for damages and disruptions suffered by Lamar University and its related institutions caused by Hurricanes Katrina and Rita.

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Legislation preserving the dignity and respect of funeral services by prohibiting certain disruptive behavior.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have signed my name officially and caused the Seal of the State to be affixed hereto at Austin, this 12th day of May, 2006.

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Governor of Texas

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Legislation transferring the administration of the Irma Rangel School of Pharmacy from Texas A&M University--Kingsville to The Texas A&M University System Health Science Center.

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