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HOLLIER PROPOSED FOR PERMANENT CHANCELLOR AT LSU HEALTH SCIENCES CENTER

BATON ROUGE – Louisiana State University System President Dr. William Jenkins today announced he will formally request the LSU Board of Supervisors at its next meeting approve the appointment of Dr. Larry H. Hollier to be Chancellor of the LSU Health Sciences Center in New Orleans.

Hollier was named Acting Chancellor after Dr. John Rock resigned in November to return to teaching and research as a tenured professor of obstetrics and gynecology at the LSU Medical School.

“Dr. Hollier has emerged as a dynamic leader during these difficult times for the LSU Health Sciences Center,” said Jenkins. “Under his stable guidance, our health care professional schools are beginning the transition back to their home in New Orleans as we continue to recover from the punishing effects of Hurricane Katrina.”

Along with his duties as chancellor, Jenkins said Dr. Hollier will continue to serve both as Dean of the LSU Medical School, a position he held before becoming chancellor, and as Vice Chancellor for Clinical Affairs.

"I am appreciative of the opportunity to lead the LSUHSC during this time of crisis," said Dr. Hollier, adding, "Our faculty and students have remained committed to restoring our Schools and we will return even stronger and better than before."

An LSU Medical School graduate, the 62-year-old Dr. Hollier, a native of Crowley, La., was President of the Mount Sinai Hospital in New York and Professor of Surgery and Chairman of the Department of Surgery at the Mount Sinai School of Medicine before being named Medical School Dean in January 2004.

He began his medical career with residency and fellowship training in general and vascular surgery at LSU and Charity Hospital in New Orleans and Dallas. Following a brief stint in the U.S. Air Force, Dr. Hollier, in 1980, joined the faculty and staff at the Mayor Clinic in Rochester, Minnesota where he helped develop the hospital's vascular surgery service and training program. In 1987, he was named Chairman of the Department of Surgery at Ochsner Clinic Foundation and served as a member of the Board of Management for Ochsner's 750-member, multi-specialty group practice. Dr. Hollier was also active in expanding surgical activities in oncology, vascular surgery, cosmetic surgery, and transplantation.

Dr. Hollier in the mid-1990s served as the Chair of Surgery and Executive Director of Clinical Affairs at the former Health Care International Medical Centre near Glasgow, Scotland, a tertiary care hospital specializing in cardiac surgery, cardiology, bone marrow transplantation, orthopedics and ophthalmic surgery. In addition to being a lecturer on vascular and endovascular surgery, Dr. Hollier is the author of more than 300 journal articles and service on the editorial boards of 13 surgical journals.

The LSU Health Sciences Center is celebrating its 75th Anniversary as Louisiana's leading healthcare teaching institution. The medical center trains nearly three quarters of the state's health care professionals and research scientists, among its schools of medicine, dentistry, nursing, allied health professions, graduate studies, and public health.

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