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F. MARIE HALL ESTABLISHES TWO ENDOWED CHAIRS IN AFFILIATION WITH THE LAURA W. BUSH INSTITUTE FOR WOMEN'S HEALTH

Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center announced Monday (March 17) at 10 a.m. that long-time supporter, F. Marie Hall, is establishing two chairs named for her parents. The announcement took place at TTUHSC in the F. Marie Hall Synergistic Center at 3601 Fourth St. 2nd floor in Lubbock.

The Granville T. Hall, M.D., Chair in Obstetrics and Gynecology honors Ms. Hall's father for his lifetime commitment to healing and his passion for his profession. The chair will be housed in the Laura W. Bush Institute for Women's Health at the Jenna Welch Center in Midland.

Ms. Hall also has established the Florence Thelma Hall Chair for Nursing Excellence in Women's Health to honor her mother, who had a lifetime dream of becoming a nurse. This chair is to be a catalyst for the development of women's health programs in the School of Nursing and the Laura W. Bush Institute for Women's Health in Lubbock.

John Baldwin, M.D., president of TTUHSC, says it is an honor to be affiliated with Hall. "Marie Hall is a leader in West Texas and has demonstrated the vision and compassion needed to inspire future healers," Baldwin said. "She has changed the landscape of this university and our programs in countless ways."

Ms. Hall's other contributions to TTUHSC include the F. Marie Hall Student Synergistic Center, the F. Marie Hall Endowed Chair in Rural Health, the F. Marie Hall Institute for Rural and Community Health, and the Smith, Vela and Patterson Senior Fellowships for Rural Health Research.

Marjorie Jenkins, M.D., executive director of the Laura W. Bush Institute for Women's Health, said the institute was established across TTUHSC with multi-campus, multi-discipline and multi-school all dedicated to the pursuit of a healthier future for all women.

“The Laura W. Bush Institute for Women’s Health is fortunate to have the support of women who are passionate and dedicated to the importance of health care for women,” Jenkins said. “Ms. Hall will leave such a wonderful legacy for the future of women and their health care with the establishment of these chairs, and for that the Institute is extremely grateful.”

Jenkins added that Ms. Hall’s endowed chairs in affiliation with the Laura W. Bush Institute for Women’s Health are the building blocks on which the West Texas wide institute will be built.

Alexia Green, Ph.D., dean of the TTUHSC School of Nursing, said the School of Nursing is indeed grateful for this endowment.

“Endowed Chairs are necessary to recruit top faculty to our institution that will allow us to continue the excellence we provide in nursing education,” Green said. “The SON and TTUHSC will positively impact women as patients, students and faculty into the future.”

John Jennings, M.D., regional dean of the Permian Basin School of Medicine, said Ms. Hall’s generosity will impact the Jenna Welch Women's Center of the Laura W. Bush Women’s Health Institute in its commitment to the advancement of women's health in the Permian Basin.

“Endowed chairs such as this help us in more than patient care but in research and the education of health care professionals,” Jennings said. “Ms. Hall is supporting the interdisciplinary approach to health care. The School of Medicine and this Center are extremely proud to now be a part of her tribute to her parents and dedication to health care for women.”