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Official Memorandum from Texas Governor Dolph Briscoe Concerning the Creation of Texas Eastern University Day

University of Texas at Tyler

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Texas Eastern University was created as Tyler State College by the 62nd Legislature, Regular Session, in 1971, to be an upper-level senior university.

House Bill 630, 64th Texas Legislature, changed the name of Tyler State College to Texas Eastern University, effective September 1, 1975.

For the past three years the University has been functioning in temporary quarters as it began its service to the students of the vast East Texas region.

Now, on June 10, 1976, with the completion of the five buildings in the Phase One construction program, the University has the facilities to serve approximately 1,000 full-time students in these modern and well-equipped new buildings. The completion of these facilities represents the beginning of an entirely new era in the young history of Texas Eastern University.

All who have been associated with Tyler State College and Texas Eastern University have shown great interest in the development of this upper-level senior University, an institution which will benefit many future generations of young Texans.

THEREFORE, I, as Governor of Texas, do hereby designate June 10, 1976, as

TEXAS EASTERN UNIVERSITY DAY

in Texas.

In official recognition whereof, I hereby affix my signature this 10th day of June, 1976.
OFFICIAL PROCLAMATION
BY
ROBERT M. NALL
MAYOR OF TYLER, TEXAS

WHEREAS, Texas Eastern University was created in 1971 by the Legislature of the State of Texas; and

WHEREAS, the Texas Eastern University Board of Regents signed a contract with an architectural firm in October, 1972 to begin development of the 200 acres donated to the State for the permanent campus site; and

WHEREAS, a general contractor was selected and Phase I construction work was started in September, 1974; and

WHEREAS, five years after the anniversary of the signing of the bill which created Texas Eastern University these Phase I facilities are being dedicated; and

WHEREAS, Governor Dolph Briscoe is participating in this historic event as dedicatory speaker; and

WHEREAS, the University will occupy these facilities in August, 1976 for the fall semester;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, ROBERT M. NALL, Mayor of the City of Tyler, Texas, do hereby proclaim June 10, 1976 as TEXAS EASTERN UNIVERSITY DAY in Tyler, and urge all citizens of Tyler to recognize the significance of Texas Eastern University to Tyler and the entire East Texas area and join in full observance of this day.

In official recognition whereof, I hereby affix my signature this 10th day of June, 1976.

ROBERT M. NALL
MAYOR OF TYLER, TEXAS