

STURGIS GIFT TO SUPPORT BIOMEDICAL RESEARCH AT UT SOUTHWESTERN

DALLAS—June 21, 1993—A \$250,000 gift from the Roy and Christine Sturgis Charitable and Educational Trust will be used to establish a chair to support the work of an internationally recognized biomedical researcher at The University of Texas Southwestern Medical Center at Dallas.

UT Southwestern will create the Roy and Christine Sturgis Chair in Biomedical Research with the gift from the Sturgis trust under the direction of its trustee, NationsBank of Texas, N.A. Matching funds from an anonymous donor will be provided as part of UT Southwestern's \$150 million Fund for Molecular Research campaign.

"It is only through support such as this that we can attract and retain the very best talent in the world," said Dr. Kern Wildenthal, UT Southwestern president. "It is also through this kind of support that UT Southwestern can become the very best academic medical center in the world."

The Sturgis trust provides support for charitable, scientific, literary and educational endeavors in Texas and Arkansas.

"We felt the research being conducted at UT Southwestern was representative of the excellence Roy and Christine Sturgis intended to promote through the trust," said Dan Kelly, administrator of the Sturgis trust and a vice president of NationsBank.

Roy Sturgis was born in Cleveland County, Ark., in 1901. He was educated in a one-room school house in Kingsland, Ark. He married Christine Johns in Camden, Ark.

Sturgis successfully established himself in the sawmill and timber industry with his ownership of Sturgis Flooring Mill in Malvern, Ark., and Sturgis Lumber Co. in Sparkman, Ark.

The Sturgises lived in Dallas for a brief period during the mid-1970s before returning to Arkansas. Roy Sturgis died shortly thereafter. Christine Sturgis died in 1981 in Malvern. The trust was established under the terms of her will.

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NOTE: The University of Texas Southwestern Medical Center at Dallas comprises Southwestern Medical School, Southwestern Graduate School of Biomedical Sciences, Southwestern Allied Health Sciences School, affiliated teaching hospitals and outpatient clinics.