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NCH CORP. COMMITS \$500,000 TO ESTABLISH TWO CHAIRS IN MOLECULAR NEPHROLOGY AT UT SOUTHWESTERN

DALLAS — Nov. 29, 1993 — NCH Corp. has pledged \$500,000 to establish two chairs to support research in kidney disease at The University of Texas Southwestern Medical Center at Dallas.

The gift, presented to the Southwestern Medical Foundation, was proposed by the company's executive committee — Lester A. Levy, Irvin L. Levy and Milton P. Levy Jr. — to honor their parents, NCH founder Milton P. Levy Sr. and his wife Ruth, and NCH Corp. employees. Matching funds will raise the contribution to \$1 million, as part of the UT Southwestern Fund for Molecular Research,

"It has always been the desire of the company as well as the individuals of the company to give back to their community some of the many benefits that have been gained from it," said Lester A. Levy, NCH Corp. chairman and director.

"The recent gift that establishes two chairs in nephrology will support some of our most promising, exciting and accomplished faculty," said Dr. Donald Seldin, vice chairman of the Southwestern Medical Foundation and professor of internal medicine.

"This is a very innovative gift because it helps fund an area of research that doesn't receive the same kind of attention cancer and heart disease do," Seldin said. "The research of the recipients of these chairs will have a major impact on clinical science and the welfare of people with kidney disease."

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The Levy family has a long history with NCH Corp., which began with its founding in 1919 by Milton P. Levy Sr. The company was then known as the National Disinfectant Co., and Levy was at its helm until his death in 1946.

Levy's three sons, each sharing equally in running the company through its executive committee, began managing the company shortly after their father's death. At that time, its operations were concentrated in a four-state area.

The company was renamed National Chemsearch Corp. in 1962 and again changed its name to NCH Corp. in 1978. A Fortune 500 company, NCH Corp. is listed on the New York Stock Exchange. In 1992 the company had sales of \$670 million.

The company manufactures and sells maintenance products in 50 countries. Products include cleaners, solvents, lubricants, water-treatment products, fasteners and plumbing, and electronic replacement parts.

While the company has flourished, the Levy family has shared its resources through civic, cultural and scientific endeavors.

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