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## Ed Haggar Family Foundation gives \$70,000 for clinical care, research at UT Southwestern

DALLAS – March 7, 2006 – The Ed Haggar Family Foundation has provided its fourth annual contribution to support clinical care and research programs at UT Southwestern Medical Center.

The gifts, totaling \$70,000 to date, have created the Ed Haggar Family Foundation Fund, in support of the medical center's \$500 million *Innovations in Medicine* capital campaign.

Established in 1996 by legendary businessman and clothing entrepreneur Ed R. Haggar, the Dallas-based Ed Haggar Family Foundation supports a wide variety of civic, educational, human service and health-care organizations.

"My father believed in Dallas and was always a big supporter of the work being done at UT Southwestern," said Patty Jo Turner, president of the foundation. "It is our mission to contribute to organizations that help others, and these gifts do just that. We're excited about the new programs and lines of research this wonderful campaign will make possible, and we hope that our ongoing support will help the cause."

Mr. Haggar's father, Joseph Marion Haggar Sr., founded Haggar Clothing Co. in 1926, which later became one of the country's largest apparel manufacturers and marketers. Ed Haggar, who is widely credited with coining the term "slacks," served as the company's president, chief executive officer and chairman for decades before his death in 2004. His memoir, *Big Ed and the Haggar Family*, recounts his family's humble beginnings as Lebanese immigrants and the development of their famous business.

"The entire Haggar family is well-known for giving back to the community," said Dr. Kern Wildenthal, president of UT Southwestern. "Ed Haggar was a leading philanthropist as well as a visionary businessman, and his family is generously following in his footsteps. Our medical center is very privileged to be the beneficiary of their ongoing support."

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