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UT SOUTHWESTERN'S FACULTY WIVES BENEFIT FROM \$100,000 GIFT GIVEN BY LYRA AND ED DANIELS OF DALLAS

DALLAS – Oct. 18, 2000 -- When Lyra and Ed Daniels decided they wanted to contribute to UT Southwestern Medical Center at Dallas, the couple expressed an interest in supporting a program that departed from traditional medical causes. The Dallas philanthropists consequently set their sights on assisting the efforts of faculty wives on behalf of the medical center with a \$100,000 endowment gift made through Southwestern Medical Foundation.

"Eddie and I think the world of UT Southwestern and believe that it is an invaluable asset to Dallas and to Texas," Lyra Daniels said. "We feel that faculty wives play an enormous, and not always acknowledged, role in our community. They support their husbands and represent UT Southwestern with a great deal of dedication and dignity."

Income generated by the Lyra B. and Edwin R. Daniels Fund Honoring UT Southwestern Wives will help support activities such as greeting, orienting and assisting in the relocation of newly arrived faculty members and trainees. The gift will also allow spouses to travel to major meetings and assist at official UT Southwestern functions and will support projects of the Faculty Women's Club, which include community outreach and volunteer efforts at Children's Medical Center of Dallas, Parkland Health & Hospital System and Zale Lipshy University Hospital.

"The spirit behind this generous gift is particularly wonderful because it honors UT Southwestern wives, who labor behind the scenes and do so much to help advance our institution," said Dr. Kern Wildenthal, president of the medical center. "The Daniels have shown continued loyalty to the Dallas medical community, and their long-standing support of UT Southwestern has been tremendous. Their latest gift demonstrates, once again, their commitment to doing whatever they possibly can for the betterment of our community."

W. Plack Carr Jr., president of Southwestern Medical Foundation, said the Daniels have been longtime friends of the foundation and ardent supporters of UT Southwestern and the Dallas medical community. "We are most grateful for their generous and forward-thinking gift. It will be an asset to faculty wives and the medical school for years to come," Carr said.

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