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AUSTIN--Four new buildings nearing completion at The University of Texas Health Science Center at Dallas will be named for families well known for their philanthropy and community service, The University of Texas System Board of Regents affirmed in action taken here Friday (March 15).

Names of the structures, comprising most of the \$40 million building program expanding UT Southwestern Medical School and transforming it into a broader-based Health Science Center, will be:

- ..The Eugene McDermott Academic Administration Building;
- ..The Cecil H. and Ida Green Science Building;
- ..The Tom and Lula Gooch Auditorium; and
- ..The Fred F. Florence Bioinformation Center.

The buildings were named in recognition of major gifts made through the Southwestern Medical Foundation, which provided more than \$8.5 million to the medical school's expansion program.

Naming of the structures was made official Friday as the Regents approved dedicatory placques to be affixed to major components of the new complex, which has been under construction three years. All the new buildings which make up the center's Phase I building program will be finished in time for occupancy this fall, when Southwestern enrolls its first class of 200 medical students--double the number accepted annually a few years ago--and the Health Science Center further expands graduate and allied health teaching programs.

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First new structure to be occupied, sometime in April, is the Eugene McDermott Academic Administration Building, a 12-level campus landmark which will house administrative offices. The late Mr. McDermott, one of the founders of Texas Instruments, Inc., and his wife have been major supporters of the school and the medical foundation.

Largest of the new buildings is the Cecil H. and Ida Green Science Building, a 272,000-square-foot classroom and laboratory facility which together with an attached plaza containing lecture halls will house most of first and second-year medical student teaching activities. Mr. Green, also a founder of Texas Instruments, is the most recent recipient of The University of Texas' coveted Santa Rita Award. He and Mrs. Green are known for their contributions to higher education.

The 1,200-seat auditorium--the medical school's first--is named for the late Mr. and Mrs. Tom C. Gooch, civic leaders recognized for their gifts to educational institutions. A longtime Dallas newspaper man, Mr. Gooch was publisher of The Dallas Times Herald from 1941 to 1952.

The Fred F. Florence Bioinformation Center is a major structure which will house an expanded medical library as well as audiovisual, computer and other facilities. It is named for the late businessman-philanthropist who was chief executive officer of the Republic National Bank and a community leader for many years.

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