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MEMORANDUM

TO: Department Heads, College of Agriculture and Life Sciences

Award Chairs, College of Agriculture and Life Sciences Cliff Lamb, Director, Texas A&M AgriLife Research

Amy Swinford, Director, Texas A&M Veterinary Medical Diagnostic Laboratory

Rick Avery, Director, Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service

Al Davis, Interim Director, Texas A&M Forest Service

SUBJECT: Call for Pre-Nominations for 2023 – 2024 Regents Professor Award

In an effort to recognize and honor faculty in The Texas A&M University System, the Board of Regents established a *Regents Professor Award* to honor individuals at the rank of professor or equivalent who have provided exemplary service as faculty members not only to their university or agency, but also to the community, the State of Texas and/or the nation, and/or at the international level.

Texas A&M AgriLife is eligible to put forward nominations for this award for consideration by Texas A&M University. I would like to encourage your department/unit/agency to consider nominating an individual for this award. AgriLife Directors, please feel free to distribute as appropriate.

As you will note in the following criteria, one of the eligibility requirements for this award is that the nominee must have a "distinguished record of teaching combined with accomplishments in research or other creative or scholarly activity." In considering a nominee for this award, the following criteria should be considered:

- ☐ A demonstrated record of distinguished teaching
- A demonstrated record of distinguished accomplishments in research and other creative and scholarly activities
- A demonstrated record of outstanding service at the local, state, and/or national/international levels
- ☐ A demonstrated record of commitment to the university or agency
- A record of notable indicators of the potential for the continuation of distinguished performance in all three areas (i.e., teaching, research, and service)

The guidelines and criteria for this award and additional information may be obtained on the Texas A&M AgriLife Awards website at http://agrilifeawards.tamu.edu/.

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Pre-Nomination Materials:

- □ Nominating Letter (3-page max. length): A letter of nomination submitted to the selection committee from any of the following: deans, department heads, directors, program chairs, administrators, award committees, and individual or groups of faculty members.
- Summary Presentation (third-person, single-spaced, 12-point font, 5-page max. length): The summary presentation should be a compilation of the nominee's most outstanding qualifications, significant achievements, and contributions with demonstrated superior performance in teaching, research, and service. This can be achieved through a personal statement by the nominee establishing the importance of their accomplishments in each of the three categories (teaching, research, and service) or as part of a nomination package prepared by their unit. Since a curriculum vitae will be a part of this packet, the statement should attempt to go beyond what is in the vitae.
- □ Vitae (25-page max. length): A current and moderately detailed vitae highlighting the nominee's career and outstanding accomplishments. Please delete all personal references, such as marital status and family references.
- Optional Supporting Material (5-page max. length): Samples of teaching, scholarship, research, and service-related materials that further endorses the nominee's candidacy.

Please submit your pre-nomination materials electronically to Agawards@ag.tamu.edu no later than 3:00 p.m. on Monday, April 8th.

If you should have any questions regarding this award program, please feel free to contact Courtney DeBord at 979-314-8010 or courtney.debord@ag.tamu.edu.

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