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PARK FOREST SOUTH, Ill., October 7.--The role of higher education as an instrument in social progress must be maintained, despite inflation threats, the American Association of State Colleges and Universities executive director said today.

Allan W. Ostar of Washington, D.C., spoke at the inauguration of Dr. Leo Goodman-Malamuth II as second president of Governors State University. Ostar said:

"Inflation, rising energy costs, and the increasing claims of social services upon the state's resources are pushing universities into a fiscal corner. This is most evident in terms of what is happening to tuition. Without adequate legislative funding, colleges and universities are forced to seek additional revenues through increased student tuition.

"It is in the community's best interest to support access to higher education. It is in the best interest of each citizen of the community to support the education of those who seek it. The value that is added to the life of a graduate through education is value that accrues to the community.

"This is a tremendously exciting university. It is riding the cutting edge of change in higher education. What it has accomplished in the short time of its existence is a tribute to the energy and dedication of its faculty, staff, and community supporters. To keep that sharp edge on the university's mission throughout the coming years will require a continuation of the energy and a dedication to the community spirit.

"It will require all of you to participate in decisions affecting the university, and then to assist the president in carrying them out. It will require your sensitivity and understanding of the external pressures he faces, and the challenges of direction and coordination that a university like this presents."

President Goodman-Malamuth had been vice president for academic affairs for the last seven of his 20 years with California State University at Long Beach. He assumed the presidency of Governors State University September 1, 1976. # 100777