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Marking the Establishment of
GOVERNORS STATE UNIVERSITY

July 17, 1969
An Act to establish Governors State University and provide for its operation, management, control and maintenance.

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois, represented in the General Assembly:

Section 1. A new senior institution of higher education to be known as Governors State University is hereby established, to be located in Monee Township, Will County, Illinois.

Section 2. The object of the Governors State University is to offer such courses of instruction, conduct such research and offer such public services as are prescribed by the Board of Governors of State Colleges and Universities or its successor.

Section 3. The Board of Governors of State Colleges and Universities shall operate, manage, control and maintain Governors State University in accordance with the rights, powers and duties now or hereafter vested by law in that Board.

To Members of the Board of Governors of State Colleges and Universities:

It is with great pleasure that I affix my signature to House Bills 666, 667, and 668, thereby establishing Governors State University and setting its purposes under the direction of the Board.

The State of Illinois, in recognizing the need to create a new university, charges you with the responsibility for the planning and development of Governors State University, to the end that it will produce educated citizens and leaders. May wisdom and courage be yours in this challenging enterprise.

Very best wishes to you.

Sincerely,

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OLYMPIA FIELDS COUNTRY CLUB

6:00 P.M. - Reception .............................. Father Edward LaMorte, O.S.A.
7:00 P.M. - Dinner .................................

PROGRAM

Master of Ceremonies .............................. Mr. James M. Patterson
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Introductory Remarks

Introduction of Guests

Mr. William W. Allen ............................... Vice-Chairman,
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Introduction of the Honorable
Richard B. Ogilvie ............................... Governor of Illinois
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