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## BOARD PRESIDENT AND CEO ELECTED FELLOW OF NATIONAL ACADEMY

(TOPEKA) – Reginald L. Robinson, the President and CEO of the Kansas Board of Regents, was recently elected as a Fellow of the National Academy of Public Administration (Academy).

"I am honored to have been elected to the Academy as a member of the 2008 class," said Robinson. "I look forward to joining the Academy, serving as a Fellow, and contributing to the Academy's work in ways that benefit the broader public, as well as the State of Kansas and its public higher education system."

The Academy, headquartered in Washington, D.C., is a non-profit, independent coalition of public management and organizational leaders. It was established in 1967 and is chartered by Congress. The Academy has a membership of over 500 Fellows who serve as the cornerstone of the organization. These current and former public managers and scholars, business executives and labor leaders, Cabinet officers, members of Congress, governors, mayors, state legislators, and diplomats provide insight and experience as they oversee Academy projects and provide general guidance. Each year Academy Fellows elect a new class of Fellows, and the principal criterion for selection is sustained and outstanding contribution to the field of public administration through service or scholarship. Additional information can be found at the Academy's website at www.napawash.org.

Since October 2002, Reginald L. Robinson has served as President and CEO of the Kansas Board of Regents. For the four years prior to his appointment as President and CEO, he served jointly as Chief of Staff to University of Kansas (KU) Chancellor Robert Hemenway and as a Visiting Associate Professor in the KU School of Law.

Robinson, a Salina native, who also served as an Associate Professor of Law at KU from 1988-1993, returned to Kansas in 1998 after five years in Washington, DC, with the United States Department of Justice. He served there in a variety of senior management posts, including Director of the Department's Office for Victims of Crime. He was also a White House Fellow, who was assigned as a Special Assistant to U.S. Attorney General Janet Reno.

Robinson, earned his undergraduate and law degrees from the University of Kansas, where he was Student Body Vice President and Editor in Chief of the *Kansas Law Review*. Between college and law school, he served four years as a field artillery officer in the United States Army; he was honorably discharged at the rank of Captain. Upon graduation from law school, he was a

law clerk to Judge Deanell R. Tacha of the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Tenth Circuit. He then joined the KU law faculty. As a faculty member, he was the first two-time winner of the Frederick Moreau Award for Student Counseling and Advising.

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## About the Kansas Board of Regents:

The nine-member Kansas Board of Regents is the governing board of the state's six universities and the statewide coordinating board for the state's 32 public higher education institutions (six state universities, a municipal university, nineteen community colleges, and six technical colleges). In addition, the Board administers the state's student financial aid, adult education, GED, and career and technical education programs. The Board also authorizes private proprietary schools and out-of-state institutions to operate in Kansas, and administers the Kan-ed network, a statewide network that provides broadband Internet access and distance learning capabilities for schools, hospitals, and libraries.

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