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**Texas Wesleyan University appoints new dean
of the school of arts and sciences**

FORT WORTH, June 15 – Texas Wesleyan University recently announced the appointment of Dr. Miriam Espinosa as dean of the school of arts and sciences. As dean, Espinosa is responsible for assessing and implementing departmental and curriculum changes, preparing course schedules, working with other schools at the University to bring in new programs, seeking funding sources for academic needs and advising students on course selection and other academic issues.

Espinosa has been teaching at Texas Wesleyan for 26 years. She has served as the associate dean for the school of arts and sciences, chair of the language and literature department, director of the Weekend University and director of the M.D. Anderson Pre-professional Program. Since December 2003, until her appointment as Dean effective on June 1, she has held the position of interim dean of the school of arts and sciences.

“The search for the dean of the school of arts and sciences was very competitive. Dr. Espinosa’s broad experience, as well as her strong devotion and loyalty to Texas Wesleyan, were

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determining factors in her selection,” says Texas Wesleyan President Harold G. Jeffcoat. “I’m pleased to be able to work with Miriam, as are the deans and the provost, in shaping the future of the academy at Texas Wesleyan.”

Espinosa says the high points of her new position are working with faculty and staff colleagues and making beneficial changes for the students, such as additional recruitment methods, more intensive pre-professional programs, facility renovations and possibly a new science building.

As an active member of the community, Espinoza volunteered her time as chairman of the board at Holy Family of Nazareth School in Irving, Texas, where she resides. She enjoys reading, making state fair prize-winning jellies and jams, and spending time with her children and grandchildren. This summer she will celebrate her 40th wedding anniversary with her husband, Charles.

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