

HONORING DR. JAMES T.
WILLERSON

HON. MICHAEL C. BURGESS

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, October 3, 2007

Mr. BURGESS. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor Dr. James T. Willerson for his work as President at the University of Texas Health Science Center at Houston. Dr. Willerson will be stepping down from his position to become the next President at the Texas Heart Institute.

Dr. Willerson graduated with honors in 1965 from Baylor College of Medicine and in 1972 joined the faculty at UT Southwestern Medical School in Dallas. In 1989, Dr. Willerson became chair of the Department of Internal Medicine at the UT Medical School where he served until 2001, when he became President of the UT Health Science Center at Houston.

During his time as President at the UT Health Science Center, the school has utilized over \$700 million for the building of seven new research buildings, educational programs and clinical services, and recruiting some of the world's best scientists and educators. Class

sizes have also been increased at each of the university's six schools.

Thanks to the efforts of Dr. Willerson, the University of Texas Health Science Center at Houston is poised for greatness.

It is with pride today that I honor Dr. Willerson for the outstanding works he has done at the University of Texas Health Science Center at Houston during his rein as President. I also wish him the best of luck at his future position as President of the Texas Heart Institute.

SENATE COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Title IV of Senate Resolution 4, agreed to by the Senate on February 4, 1977, calls for establishment of a system for a computerized schedule of all meetings and hearings of Senate committees, subcommittees, joint committees, and committees of conference. This title requires all such committees to notify the Office of the Senate Daily Digest—designated by the Rules Committee—of the time, place, and purpose of the meetings, when scheduled, and any cancellations or changes in the meetings as they occur.

As an additional procedure along with the computerization of this information, the Office of the Senate Daily Digest will prepare this information for printing in the Extensions of Remarks section of the CONGRESSIONAL RECORD on Monday and Wednesday of each week.

Meetings scheduled for Thursday, October 4, 2007 may be found in the Daily Digest of today's RECORD.

MEETINGS SCHEDULED

OCTOBER 16

10 a.m.
 Commerce, Science, and Transportation
 To hold an oversight hearing to examine the Transportation Security Administration's (TSA) efforts and progress on H.R. 1, "Implementing the Recommendations of the 9/11 Commission Act of 2007".
 SR-253

OCTOBER 17

9:30 a.m.
 Veterans' Affairs
 To hold an oversight hearing to examine the Department of Veterans Affairs and Department of Defense collaboration, focusing on the report of the President's Commission on Care for America's Returning Wounded Warriors, the report of the Veterans Disability Benefit Commission, and other related reports.
 SD-562

10 a.m.
 Commerce, Science, and Transportation
 To hold hearings to examine consumer wireless issues.
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2:30 p.m.
 Commerce, Science, and Transportation
 To hold hearings to examine the digital television transition, focusing on government and industry perspectives.
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OCTOBER 18

10 a.m.
 Commerce, Science, and Transportation
 To hold an oversight hearing to examine the Department of Transportation.
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2:30 p.m.
 Commerce, Science, and Transportation
 Science, Technology, and Innovation Subcommittee
 To hold hearings to examine science parks, focusing on bolstering United States competitiveness.
 SR-253

OCTOBER 24

9:30 a.m.
 Veterans' Affairs
 To hold hearings to examine to consider pending legislation.
 SD-562

OCTOBER 31

9:30 a.m.
 Veterans' Affairs
 To hold an oversight hearing to examine vocational rehabilitation.
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