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## **Governor Richardson Releases Statement on New Mexico State University President Michael Martin**

*Martin has accepted the Position of Chancellor at Louisiana State University*

SANTA FE - Governor Bill Richardson today released the following statement regarding the departure of New Mexico State University President Michael Martin, who is leaving to take over as Chancellor at Louisiana State University.

“Mike Martin is a respected educator and leader; this is a loss for New Mexico State,” said Governor Richardson. “NMSU has benefitted tremendously from the stability of a president who is committed to improving academic achievement and tying it to economic development in New Mexico. I wish Mike the best of luck in his next endeavor.”

Dr. Michael V. Martin has served as President of New Mexico State University since 2004.

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