



## Excerpts from Newspaper Editorials on Mark Yudof's Appointment

SAN FRANCISCO CHRONICLE — March 26, 2008

### **UC gets its leader**

“Running the University of California – all 10 campuses and nearly 400,000 students, faculty and staff – requires a grasp of academics, financial skill and PR savvy. It’s a demanding job description, but fortunately, the system’s regents have a strong candidate in Mark Yudof, who’s successfully run the sprawling University of Texas system. Yudof could be a one-man dream team. He’s a former law professor who focused on free speech. Before running the Texas system, he was chancellor of the University of Minnesota, meaning that he’s seen the movie when it comes to campus disputes. He battled to keep tuition costs down in Texas and sought to measure scholarly output and student progress, all the better to push for efficiency and track success. His familiarity with the needs of undergraduates, professional schools, such as medicine and law, and need for pure research are also assets.”

<http://sfgate.com/cgi-bin/article.cgi?f=/c/a/2008/03/25/EDNAVQ5MU.DTL>

SACRAMENTO BEE — MARCH 24, 2008

### **In Yudof, regents find leader UC system needs**

“The University of California really needs someone from outside the system to bring in fresh ideas, fresh personnel and shake up old ways of doing business. Yudof is ideally suited to do that. Yudof has shown himself to be a quick study, an extremely effective manager, an imaginative thinker and a savvy political leader in working with governors and legislators. Yudof has been a master in fighting for public universities in the state budget process and in seeking revenues from elsewhere. He has sought endowed professorships, increased financial aid for students and encouraged research partnerships. UC needs a president with the right mind-set and skills to use a smaller, more focused UC president’s office to aggressively set a long-term direction in changed circumstances. Yudof is a plum selection for that task.”

[www.sacbee.com/110/story/806520.html](http://www.sacbee.com/110/story/806520.html)

AUSTIN AMERICAN-STATESMAN — March 21, 2008

### **Yudof has served UT System well**

“Not many university leaders possess Yudof’s combination of skills, judgment and experience. He has been a law professor, law school dean and provost at UT’s Austin campus, president of the University of Minnesota and chancellor of the UT System going on six years. Overall, Yudof has been an efficient and effective chancellor who kept the University of Texas System strong and growing. We are certain he will be just as successful in leading the University of California System...”

[www.statesman.com/blogs/content/shared-gen/blogs/austin/editorial/entries/2008/03/21/yudof\\_has\\_served\\_ut\\_system\\_wel.html](http://www.statesman.com/blogs/content/shared-gen/blogs/austin/editorial/entries/2008/03/21/yudof_has_served_ut_system_wel.html)

SAN ANTONIO EXPRESS-NEWS — March 21, 2008

### **Yudof heading west; Texas will miss him**

“The University of California system regents have made a great choice in the selection of University of Texas System Chancellor Mark Yudof as their next president. During his six years as chancellor of the largest university system in Texas, the hard-charging and personable 63-year-old Yudof has done great things for the UT System and for the two UT campuses in San Antonio. He is also credited with introducing accountability measures to track student testing, graduation rates and faculty research.”

[www.mysanantonio.com/opinion/editorials/stories/MYSA032208.01O.yudof2ed.2649b5f.html](http://www.mysanantonio.com/opinion/editorials/stories/MYSA032208.01O.yudof2ed.2649b5f.html)