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**LANSING COMMUNITY COLLEGE NAMES DR. JUDITH CARDENAS THE
VICE PRESIDENT AND EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF ITS UNIVERSITY
CENTER**

LANSING, MICH. (June 9, 2008) – At a meeting tonight, the Lansing Community College Board of Trustees approved the appointment of Dr. Judith F. Cardenas as vice president and executive director of its University Center, effective July 1, 2008. Dr. Cardenas currently serves as president of the college.

“I’m excited about the opportunity to build upon the University Center’s achievements since it opened in January 2008,” said LCC President Judith Cardenas. “I look forward to working with our six university partners and other higher education leaders to expand access to four-year and advanced educational opportunities in our community so that our residents can pursue the degrees that they need to succeed in today’s economy.”

The University Center at Lansing Community College gives young adults and adult learners access to four-year and advanced degrees in a convenient location on LCC’s downtown campus. More than 1,200 students are currently enrolled in one of the University Center’s 40 programs. University Center partners include Ferris State University, Lawrence Technological University, Northwood University, Siena Heights University, University of Michigan-Flint and Western Michigan University.

“Dr. Cardenas brings extensive higher education experience, including president and dean of student services at LCC, to this important arm of the college,” said Dr. Brent Knight, LCC’s incoming president. “She has the vision, knowledge and skills to ensure that the University Center’s programs and services meet the educational needs of our region.”

Dr. Cardenas has a doctorate in education administration from Baylor University and a doctorate in training and performance improvement from Capella University. She holds two master’s degrees from the University of Incarnate Word and a bachelor’s degree from St. Mary’s University.

For more information about the University Center at Lansing Community College, visit www.lcc.edu/uc.

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About Lansing Community College

Lansing Community College is Michigan's third largest community college with more than 32,000 students attending each year. The College has more than 240 degree and certificate programs. LCC offers courses in general education for those interested in transferring to a four-year institution, career and workforce development, developmental education and personal enrichment. To meet the professional development and training needs of regional employees, the college offers customized programs for credit, noncredit and continuing education. The University Center at LCC offers students the opportunity to earn bachelor's and master's degrees from six partner universities on the downtown LCC campus. For more information, visit www.lcc.edu.

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