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**TRANSITIONAL BILINGUAL LEARNING COMMUNITY CELEBRATES
TRUMAN COLLEGE**

THE CHANCELLOR

REPORTS that the Transitional Bilingual Learning Program (TBLC) held its seventh anniversary program May 6; and

that the keynote speaker was Dr. Antonio Gutierrez Marquez, Associate Vice Chancellor for Research and Evaluation for the City Colleges of Chicago; and

that the TBLC, designed for Spanish speakers who are academically ready for college but lack the requisite English skills, is a winner of a 2003 innovation award from the Illinois Community College Board; and

that students' average GPA after the first semester is 3.07 and the retention rate after the program is 85 percent, both higher than average for Hispanic students at Truman.

Respectfully submitted,

Wayne D. Watson
Chancellor

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