



## **Dr. William D. Law, Jr.**

The District Board of Trustees named Bill Law the College's fifth president after a nationwide search. He began work May 1, 2002.

Bill had served as the founding president of Montgomery College in Conroe, Texas, since 1992. At MCCC, he was responsible for planning, managing and implementing a \$50-million construction budget and directing a national recruitment effort for 200 faculty and staff members. He also created the organizational structure and led the development of the new college's first academic programs.

During his first two years at TCC, Bill established partnerships and strong bonds with local governmental and civic leadership and enhanced opportunities for state employees to advance through TCC educational programs. With the opening of the Economic and Workforce Development Center, TCC began to reach its full potential in this essential service to business, industry and area workers.

During Bill's tenure, TCC opened the Learning Commons, created the Advanced Manufacturing and Training Center and broke ground on the Ghazvini Center for Healthcare Education. He led an aggressive building program and land acquisition to transform the Pat Thomas Law Enforcement Academy into the nation's premiere law enforcement training center, the Florida Public Safety Institute. Bill also encouraged development of anti-terrorism training to help agencies respond to homeland security needs.

Under his leadership, the TCC Foundation attracted its single largest gift for scholarships to date and launched a \$10 million capital campaign.

Bill left TCC in 2010 to become president of St. Petersburg College.