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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

JORNS FINALIST FOR PRESIDENCY AT NORTHERN IOWA

CHARLESTON -- Eastern Illinois University President David Jorns on Thursday announced that he has been invited to interview for the presidency at the University of Northern Iowa in Cedar Falls.

Jorns' interview is scheduled for June 1-3. He is among eight candidates for the position.

The other candidates are Ronald L. Applbaum, president, Westfield State College, Westfield, Mass.; Blaine A. Brownell, provost and vice president for academic affairs, University of North Texas, Denton, Texas; Robert D. Koob, senior vice president and vice president for academic affairs, California Polytechnic State University, San Luis, Obispo, Calif.; Lawrence K. Pettit, president of Indiana University of Pennsylvania, Indiana, Pa.; F.C. Richardson, president of Buffalo State College, Buffalo, N.Y.; Marlene I. Strathe, provost and vice president for academic affairs, University of North Dakota, Grand Forks, N.D.; and Bryan Hobson Wildenthal, provost and vice president for academic affairs, University of

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Texas at Dallas, Richardson, Texas.

The new president is expected to be named by late June and take office Oct. 1.

Northern Iowa's current president, Constantine Curris, will be assuming the presidency at Clemson University in Clemson, South Carolina.

"I really love Eastern and the Charleston community, but it's important to remain open to other career options, particularly those which provide me an opportunity for professional growth. Northern Iowa is an excellent university with an outstanding reputation," Jorns said.

The University of Northern Iowa is a public, residential, co-educational institution with an enrollment of more than 13,000 students. It offers undergraduate, graduate and doctoral degree programs in the liberal arts, general education, business and teacher preparation.

Shortly after becoming president of Eastern in November 1992, Jorns initiated a university-wide strategic planning project that will carry the university into the year 2000.

Under his leadership, Eastern in March was recommended for a full 10-year reaccreditation by the North Central Association of Colleges and Schools. Eastern also has restructured its colleges resulting in considerable savings, decentralized its budgeting process, maintained an enrollment of between 10,500 and 10,700 on-campus students, increased the number of minority and international 2

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students enrolled and recorded a 6-year graduation rate of 60 percent -- the second highest of Illinois public universities.

Jorns received a bachelor's degree in radio and TV and a master's in speech and drama from Oklahoma State University in 1966 and 1968, respectively. He earned a Ph.D. in theater history and criticism from UCLA in 1973.

Prior to becoming Eastern's president, Jorns served as vice president for academic affairs and provost at Northern Kentucky University. He also has held administrative and teaching positions at West Texas State University, Mankato State University and the University of Missouri-Columbia.