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CHARLESTON, IL.--Robert Ruiz of Chicago, a member of the Board of Governors of State Colleges and Universities, represented the BOG recently at the Eastern Illinois University afternoon graduation ceremony.

The BOG governs EIU, Western Illinois, Governors State, Chicago State and Northeastern Illinois.

Ruiz, an attorney and board member since 1983, is Chief of the Industrial Commission Division of the Office of the Attorney General.

He told the spring graduates, "I both congratulate and salute you for having achieved an important goal in your life.

"Graduation is a significant milestone in one's entire life. It is, in fact, the commencement of a richer and fuller personal and professional life. It is, indeed, a significant and symbolic occasion for the graduates, their families and their friends.

"It is a pleasure for me to face the products of this institution of higher learning," Ruiz said, "and a personal honor and pleasure to be here in this capacity representing the Board of Governors."

Ruiz spoke to the graduates of the College of Business, Education and Applied Science at the afternoon convocation.

Honorary degrees were bestowed upon historian Norman Graebner, Doctor of Humane Letters, and to former Ambassador to the United Nations Donald McHenry, Doctor of Laws.

EIU President Stan Rives awarded the diplomas and presented the charge to the class.