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Hackler to serve as OC commencement speaker Friday, Dec. 10

ODESSA (Dec. 7, 2010) – Odessa College will honor more than 137 graduate candidates in 28-degree programs at the fall 2010 graduation ceremony at 7 p.m. Friday, Dec. 10 at the OC Sports Center. Guest speaker, Glen E. Hackler, city manager for the city of Andrews, will address the graduates.

Hackler has been the city manager for the city of Andrews since April 2001. He is part of a dynamic community leadership responsible for the development of a \$2.7 million city-owned Business & Technology Center, a partnership with Andrews County for the construction of a \$1 million Senior Citizen Activity Center, the development of a \$3.2 million Wetlands Area and Sports Complex project (TxP&W grant), creation of the Andrews Economic Development Corp., and the implementation of \$2.5 million in streetscape enhancements for the Courthouse Square in Andrews. A major focus of his attention is the upgrade and expansion of infrastructure to position the City of Andrews for future growth and development.

Prior to serving as Andrews city manager, Hackler was employed with the city of Midland as deputy and assistant city manager for almost eight years where he provided the management oversight for the construction of the \$35 million Midland International Airport terminal. He also served the cities of Lubbock and Pampa for five years including three and a half years as the city manager of Pampa. In addition, Hackler also worked in the private sector for six years as resident director of University Plaza, a private residence hall, in Lubbock.

Hackler received his Bachelor of Business Administration degree with a minor in political science in 1983, and his Master of Public Administration and Doctorate of Jurisprudence degrees in 1987. He also is licensed by the State Bar of Texas.

He is married to Collette. They have one daughter Jessica and a granddaughter, Kaitlyn. For more information contact the media relations department at 335-6416.