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Treasurer Frerichs to Stand with Western Illinois University Students, Spoon River Community College President to Urge Approval of College Tuition Assistance

MACOMB – Illinois Treasurer Michael Frerichs will visit the campus of Western Illinois University to meet with students, university and college officials and urge Governor Bruce Rauner and the Illinois General Assembly to approve the Monetary Award Program (MAP grants) for the hundreds of thousands of students that rely on it to pay for their higher education. A news conference will be held on **Monday, September 14 at 2:30 p.m.** at **Western Illinois University, University Services Building, 320 W. University Dr., Macomb, IL 61455.**

WHO: Michael Frerichs, Illinois State Treasurer

Curt Oldfield, Spoon River Community College President

Wil Gradle, Western Illinois University Student Body President

Michael Quigley, Western Illinois University Student Trustee

WHAT: Treasurer Frerichs calls for action to approve funding for the Monetary Award Program (MAP grants), which provides tuition assistance to Illinois residents who demonstrated financial need. Treasurer Frerichs, a former State Senator, represented the University of Illinois and was chairman of the Higher Education Committee.

WHEN: September 14, 2015

2:30 p.m.

WHERE: Western Illinois University

University Services Building (Vallillo/Holtz Performance Studio)

320 W. University Dr.

Macomb, IL 61455

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