Stephen Chazen, President and Chief Executive Officer of Magnolia Oil & Gas Corp. and a major figure in the establishment of the William J. Hughes Center for Public Policy, has passed away.

Mr. Chazen was an original donor who provided a major gift to help establish the Hughes Center. His donations represented Stockton University's first million-dollar endowment. Below is a link to the announcement of his death from his company.

He was the cousin of founding Executive Director Sharon Schulman, who was instrumental in setting the Hughes Center on solid financial footing. We send our condolences to Sharon on the passing of her family member and important benefactor to the center she guided from the start.

"Stockton University mourns the loss Stephen Chazen. His generosity made possible the civic engagement work of the Hughes Center that has benefited thousands of Stockton students," said Dr. Harvey Kesselman, Stockton President.

Hughes Center founding board Chairman Edward Salmon said: "I am very sorry to learn that one of our exceptional supporters of Stockton and our Hughes Center passed away. Stephen Chazen was Chairman/President of Magnolia Gas and Oil and also Chairman of the Board of Occidental Petroleum. Stephen was cousin to Sharon Schulman. Through Sharon's efforts, her cousin donated one million dollars to Stockton with a huge benefit to the Hughes Center. We certainly are indebted to Stephen Chazen and Sharon for these amazing gifts of financial support."

We at the Hughes Center will always remember the generous support of Mr. Chazen as well as all of our donors as we continue the work of encouraging civil civic engagement and participation in democracy.

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