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Office of the President
December 17, 2013

Members, Board of Trustees:

THE ESTATE OF DR. JUDITH M. JANSSEN GIFT

Recommendation: that the Board of Trustees accept a gift of \$1,705,893.15 from the Estate of Dr. Judith M. Janssen, formerly of Evanston, Illinois, to add to the existing Guy M. Davenport Endowed Professorship in English.

Background: Dr. Judith M. Janssen passed away on October 15, 2012. Dr. Janssen earned her master's degree in English in 1969 and a doctorate in philosophy in English in 1972 from the College of Arts and Sciences. She went on to earn a juris doctorate at Vanderbilt University in 1979. She retired from the Exxon Mobil Corporation in 2009 where she was a labor and employment attorney in the marketing and refining division. Dr. Janssen left 40% of her residuary estate to support the Guy M. Davenport Endowed Professorship in English which she established in December 2005 in memory of Dr. Guy M. Davenport, Jr., a professor in the Department of English in the College of Arts and Sciences from 1963 to 1991.

Action taken: Approved Disapproved Other_____