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Office of the President
December 17, 2013

Members, Board of Trustees:

THE ESTATE OF JOY R. WILLS GIFT

Recommendation: that the Board of Trustees accept a gift of \$491,517.65 from the Estate of Joy R. Wills, formerly of Richmond, Kentucky, to create and endow the Joy R. Wills DanceBlue Endowment Fund, which will provide additional support for social workers and programs dedicated to pediatric oncology, as well as support for laboratory research in pediatric oncology at Kentucky Children's Hospital.

Background: Joy R. Wills passed away on August 21, 2012. She earned her bachelor's degree in education in 1943, and a master's degree in education in 1950 from the College of Education. She served as an educator and school principal in Louisville, Kentucky, for 42 years. Her lifelong passions included children, curing cancer and the University of Kentucky, thus motivating her to support DanceBlue, a student-run philanthropy at the University of Kentucky, which to date has raised more than \$5,100,000 to support childhood cancer research and provide social support at the DanceBlue Kentucky Children's Hospital Hematology/Oncology Clinic.

Action taken: Approved Disapproved Other_____