Office of the President May 14, 2013

Members, Board of Trustees:

NAMING OF UNIVERSITY FACILITY: SOFTBALL STADIUM

<u>Recommendation</u>: that the Board of Trustees approve the official naming of the University of Kentucky softball stadium, Lexington, KY as the "John Cropp Stadium."

<u>Background</u>: The Committee on Naming University Buildings has approved this request and found it to be in compliance with university policy Administrative Regulation 9:5 and recommends approval of this name designation.

This request came to the Committee from Mitch Barnhart, Athletics Director, Marc Hill, Executive Associate Athletics Director, and Rachel Lawson, Head Softball Coach.

On April 13, 2013, the University of Kentucky held a formal dedication ceremony to honor John Cropp and announced the University administration's intent to recommend to the Board of Trustees that the stadium be named in Mr. Cropp's honor.

John Cropp has served in the Department of Intercollegiate Athletics administration for over 20 years and has been instrumental in the success of the softball program since its inception in 1997. He is retiring at the conclusion of the 2013 spring season.

Action taken:	☑ Approved	☐ Disapproved	☐ Other	