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Office of the President
February 19, 2016

Members, Board of Trustees:

HOWARD L. LEWIS PLEDGE

Recommendation: that the Board of Trustees accept a pledge of \$5,000,000 from Howard L. Lewis of Solon, Ohio, toward the campaign for the Renovate/Expand Gatton College capital project, approved by the Board of Trustees at its March 2013 meeting.

Background: Mr. Howard L. Lewis earned his Bachelor of Business Administration degree in 1970 from the University of Kentucky's then-College of Business and Economics. He is Founder and Chairman Emeritus of Family Heritage Life Insurance Company of America, a company he began in 1989. Mr. Lewis began his professional career in the financial services industry with Central Trust Company, headquartered in Cincinnati, Ohio. Following his tenure there, he served in roles of increasing responsibility at Picker International Corporation, Progressive Insurance Company, and Capital American Life Insurance Company, where he was named President of Capital Consumer Marketing in 1987. He is a member of the Gatton College Hall of Fame.

This is the second pledge of \$5,000,000 from Mr. Lewis to the Gatton College Capital Campaign, of which he is the Chair. His first commitment was accepted by the Board of Trustees at its March 2013 meeting.

Action taken: Approved Disapproved Other_____