Office of the President September 9, 2008

Members, Board of Trustees:

EXPAND OPHTHALMOLOGY CLINIC

<u>Recommendation</u>: that the Board of Trustees approve initiation of the Expand Ophthalmology Clinic project.

<u>Background</u>: This project seeks to renovate and expand the existing Ophthalmology Clinic located in the Kentucky Clinic. The current space was constructed in 1983 and renovation and expansion is needed to provide upgraded and additional space to improve efficiency and customer service. This renovation is expected to cost \$4.185 million (the authorized scope) and will be funded by the UK HealthCare Enterprise.

The project was previously approved by the Board of Trustees in January 2008 with a scope of \$3.1 million. While project planning has occurred since that approval, a construction/renovation contract was not formally executed prior to the expiration of the 2006 legislative authority. Thus, given that additional project planning suggests the project scope will be higher than that previously approved and to reflect the most recent authorization from the 2008 Kentucky General Assembly, this project is now being brought back to the Board for approval to initiate with a scope of \$4.185 million, the authorized scope. The project will be funded by the UK HealthCare Enterprise.

Action taken:	✓ Approved	☐ Disapproved	□ Other ——	
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