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Office of the President December 11, 2001

Members, Board of Trustees:

NAMING OF UNIVERSITY BUILDING

<u>Recommendation</u>: that the College of Medicine's main building be named the William R. Willard Medical Education Building.

<u>Background:</u> William R. Willard was the first Dean of the College of Medicine. Many of his contributions, particularly his commitment to excellence in medical education, continue until this day. His accomplishments were recognized in 1972 by the Association of American Medical Colleges when he was named a recipient of the Abraham Flexner Award, its highest honor. Frank G. Dickey, a former President of the University of Kentucky, commented that Bill Willard was a "man of integrity, unselfishness, and rare judgment; . . . he developed the concept and the physical institution of the health sciences center integrated into the surrounding community." In accordance with University policy AR II-1.1-6, the Committee on Naming University Buildings has made its recommendation to the Senior Vice President for Administration who recommends to the President and the Board of Trustees that the College of Medicine's main building be named the William R. Willard Medical Education Building.