Office of the President April 30, 2019

Members, Board of Trustees:

UNIVERSITY RESEARCH PROFESSORSHIPS

<u>Recommendation:</u> that the Board of Trustees approve the naming of the individuals on the attached Exhibit I as University Research Professors for 2019-2020.

<u>Background:</u> The University Research Professorships were established by the University of Kentucky Board of Trustees in 1976 to recognize outstanding research achievements by members of its faculty.

The <u>2015-2020 Strategic Plan</u> for Research has an overall objective to expand scholarship, creative endeavors, and research across the full range of disciplines to focus on the most important challenges of the Commonwealth. Strategic Initiatives to achieve this overall objective include investing in and recognizing areas of scholarly excellence, and recruiting and retaining outstanding faculty, staff, and students.

To align with the overall objective for Research within the <u>2015-2020 Strategic Plan</u>, the revised University Research Professors Program recognizes excellence across the full spectrum of research, scholarship, and creative endeavors within each college. College leadership developed criteria for excellence in research and scholarly activity within their area of expertise, and then nominated faculty who exceled at these criteria. The purpose of the revised University Research Professorship program is to recognize and publicize research accomplishments of these scholars across the full range of disciplines at the University of Kentucky.

Action taken:	Approved	☐ Disapproved	☐ Other	_

Exhibit I

<u>Name</u> **College and Department**

Agriculture, Food, and Environment Plant and Soil Sciences Jason M. Unrine

Anne Filson Architecture

Design

Mark Peffley Arts and Sciences

Political Science

Susan Gardner Arts and Sciences

Physics and Astronomy

Craig S. Miller Dentistry

Oral Health Practice

Beth Rous Education

Educational Leadership

J. Zach Hilt Engineering

Chemical Engineering

William Hunter Stamps Fine Arts

Arts and Visual Studies

James P. Ziliak Gatton College of Business and Economics

Economics

Phillip Gribble Health Sciences

Rehabilitation Science

Medicine Philip A. Kern

Internal Medicine

Donna Wilcock Medicine

Physiology

Misook Lee Chung Nursing

Patricia Rippetoe-Freeman Pharmacy

Pharmacy Practice and Science

Svetla Slavova Public Health

Biostatistics

Julie Cerel Social Work