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Office of the President September 21, 2004

Members, Board of Trustees:

KENTUCKY SPINAL CORD AND HEAD INJURY RESEARCH TRUST GIFT

<u>Recommendation</u>: that the Board of Trustees accept a gift of \$500,000 from the Kentucky Spinal Cord and Head Injury Research Trust, Frankfort, Kentucky, to create and endow the Spinal Cord and Brain Injury Professorship for the Spinal Cord and Brain Injury Research Center in the College of Medicine.

<u>Background:</u> The Kentucky Spinal Cord and Head Injury Research Trust was established in 1994 to allocate funds to support spinal cord and head injury research at the University of Kentucky and the University of Louisville. The goal of this effort is to increase understanding, facilitate treatment, and develop therapeutic strategies to bring about functional recovery from spinal cord and head injury.

Since its inception, the Kentucky Spinal Cord and Head Injury Research Trust has contributed more than \$4.7 million to the University to support endowed chairs, professorships, and fellowships and to provide program support for spinal cord and brain injury research programs.

Action taken:	Approved	Disapproved	□ Other	
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