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Office of the President February 21, 2020

Members, Board of Trustees:

CANDIDATES FOR DEGREES: MAY 2020

<u>Recommendation</u>: that the President be authorized to confer upon each of the individuals whose names appear on the attached list the degree to which they are entitled, upon certification by the University Registrar that the individual has satisfactorily completed all requirements for the degree for which application has been made and as approved by the elected faculty of the University Senate and the Academic and Student Affairs Committee of the Board of Trustees.

<u>Background</u>: In 2016, the University of Kentucky established a partnership with the Department of Defense (DOD) to develop well-qualified clinical social workers to fill positions across the military service branches. A satellite site was established within the Army Medical Department Center and School at Fort Sam Houston in San Antonio, Texas, and implements the College of Social Work's full-time, 60-hour Master of Social Work (MSW) program. The curriculum is delivered in a condensed format over 14 continuous months of study with graduation occurring in April each year. The approval of these candidates for degrees in February versus May will allow the graduates to receive physical diplomas at the April graduation, a requirement which was instituted by the DOD.