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Members, Board of Trustees:

## UNIVERSITY STAFF EMERITUS BE CONFERRED UPON JOY V. LONG

<u>Recommendation</u>: that the Board of Trustees confer upon Joy V. Long the title of University Staff Emeritus in recognition of her many years of service, dedication and loyalty to the University of Kentucky.

<u>Background</u>: Joy V. Long provided service to the University of Kentucky for 61 years. During much of that time, she was the College of Agriculture's (now College of Agriculture, Food and Environment) chief budget administrator. After Joy's retirement from 48 years of full-time work, she continued to be employed in the college's business center part-time. Even after this formal employment, Joy continues to serve as the college's repository of historical information. In addition, Joy created an endowed undergraduate scholarship fund for the children or dependents of the college's employees.

Joy began her UK career as a business clerk. At that time, budget records were kept in large bound ledger books. Later in her career, she was promoted to budget analyst, then chief budget administrator. She was the first person working on the Lexington campus to enter a budget using a computer program. In 1997, Joy received the Chancellor's Outstanding Staff Award. In 1999, she was awarded the Gamma Sigma Delta Agriculture Honor Society's Service Award for her significant contributions to Kentucky agriculture.

The College of Agriculture, Food and Environment is stronger because of Joy V. Long, and the university will forever be grateful for her service. Joy's work ethic and dedication to the college and the university make her truly deserving of the honor of University Staff Emeritus, as conferred by the Board of Trustees.