

Office of the President June 16, 2023

Members, Board of Trustees:

GIFTS FROM THE ESTATE OF DR. HELEN THACKER HILL

<u>Recommendation</u>: that the Board of Trustees accept initial gifts totaling \$1,043,152.60 from the Estate of Dr. Helen Thacker Hill, formerly of Pikeville, Kentucky, to support five (5) of her existing endowed funds in the College of Education.

<u>Background</u>: Dr. Helen Thacker Hill (1923-2020) earned her bachelor's and master's degrees from the University of Kentucky and a doctorate from Oklahoma State University. A generous supporter of the College of Education, Dr. Helen Thacker Hill spent her distinguished career working in academic administration and dedicated much of her adult life to helping students with disabilities.

This gift has been given to amplify Dr. Helen Thacker Hill's prior support for the following funds in the College of Education: the "Arvle and Ellen Turner Thacker Endowment Fund," the "Della Marie Johnson Endowed Research Fund," the "James Arvle Thacker Fund," the "Wallace Charles Hill Graduate Fellowship in Administration and Supervision," and the "Wallace Charles Hill Professorship in Rehabilitation Counseling in the Department of Special Education and Rehabilitation Counseling."

Additional gifts of approximately \$5,000.00 are expected from the Estate of Dr. Helen Thacker Hill, for a total anticipated gift of \$1,048,152.60.

Action taken:	Approved	□ Disapproved	□ Other	