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Office of the President
June 12, 2007

Members, Board of Trustees:

JAMES F. HARDYMON PLEDGE

Recommendation: that the Board of Trustees accept a pledge of \$2 million from James F. Hardymon of Lexington, Kentucky to support the construction of a Computer Engineering building within the Digital Village of the College of Engineering.

Background: James F. Hardymon, retired chairman and chief executive officer of Textron Corporation, is the chairman of the UK Board of Trustees. Mr. Hardymon, a member of the College of Engineering Hall of Distinction, received a B.S. in civil engineering in 1956 and a master of civil engineering in 1958. He also is a member of the “Dream, Challenge, Succeed” Capital Campaign Steering Committee, a member of the Development Council, and a Presidential Fellow. The James F. Hardymon Building, which houses networking and information technology offices and laboratories, bears his name in recognition of his generous support. The Digital Village will be a new building or buildings that would house the Department of Electrical and Computer Engineering, the Department of Computer Science, the Center for Visualization and Virtual Environments, the UK Center for Computational Sciences, and possibly other technology-related projects and programs.

Action taken: Approved Disapproved Other _____