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Office of the President
June 12, 2007

Members, Board of Trustees:

RENOVATE HOSPITAL NURSING UNIT

Recommendation: that the Board of Trustees approve initiation of the renovation of the hospital's nursing unit in the Nursery and Special Care Neonatal Nursery.

Background: This project, authorized by the 2006 General Assembly, will renovate the hospital's nursing unit in the Nursery and Special Care Neonatal Nursery in anticipation of providing expanded patient services. Approximately 1,310 square feet in the surgery suite adjacent to the existing nursery (located on the third floor of the Critical Care Center) will be renovated to create a larger, unified space for relocation of the newborn nursery. The renovation also will include construction of a hallway to provide improved secured access points to the nursery suite.

An additional 2,500 square feet of the existing nursery will be renovated to create separate Level II and Level III special care neonatal nurseries, each with eight beds. The new nursery suite also will contain work areas to facilitate patient care and improve monitoring and response time.

The renovation is expected to cost approximately \$1.4 million, within the \$2 million scope authorized by the General Assembly. The project will be paid for by the University Hospital.

Action taken: Approved Disapproved Other _____