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Office of the President
December 13, 2005

Members, Board of Trustees:

IOLA W. HARDING GIFT AND PLEDGE

Recommendation: that the Board of Trustees accept a \$10,000 gift and pledge of \$40,000 from Iola W. Harding of Albuquerque, New Mexico to create and endow the Robert E. Harding, Jr. Professorship Fund in the College of Law and submit these gifts and pledges of \$50,000 for matching funds from Kentucky's Endowment Match Program. Council on Postsecondary Education guidelines require that the Board of Trustees acknowledge its responsibility for UK's participation in the program and for all university endowment funds.

Background: Iola W. Harding is the widow of Robert E. Harding, Jr., who was the second African-American graduate of the College of Law in 1957. Mrs. Harding earned her master of arts degree from the College of Education in 1957. Their daughter, Roberta M. Harding, joined the faculty of the College of Law in 1991 and is currently the Willburt D. Ham Professor of Law. Robert E. Harding devoted his legal career to advocacy for the rights of, and justice for, the poor and underrepresented members of society. The Robert E. Harding, Jr. Endowed Professorship will support a UK College of Law faculty member who reflects Harding's commitment to service.

Action taken: Approved Disapproved Other _____