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Office of the President
January 24, 2006

Members, Board of Trustees:

APPOINTMENT OF PROVOST

Recommendation: that the Board of Trustees approve the appointment of Dr. Kumble R. Subbaswamy as Provost, effective July 1, 2006.

Background: After 31 years of service to the university, Dr. Michael T. Nietzel retired as provost in June 2005 to become the President of Missouri State University. Dr. Nietzel was the university's first provost, serving as provost from June 2001 to June 2005. A search committee of the university was appointed to conduct a national search and identify qualified persons for the position of provost. The search committee considered approximately 60 candidates, and two finalists were interviewed on campus by faculty, students, and staff. Following the interviews, Dr. Subbaswamy received an excellent endorsement from the search committee and across campus.

Dr. Subbaswamy began his career at the University of Kentucky in 1978 as an assistant professor in the Department of Physics and Astronomy. In 1997, he was appointed professor and dean of the College of Arts and Sciences at the University of Miami. He currently serves as professor and dean of the College of Arts and Sciences at Indiana University, Bloomington.

Dr. Subbaswamy received a bachelor's degree (1969) from Bangalore University, a master's degree (1971) from Delhi University, and a Ph.D. (1976) from Indiana University, Bloomington. Dr. Subbaswamy is a Fellow of the American Physical Society. He has served as chair of the Executive Committee and co-chair of the Bloomington Life Sciences Partnership (Economic Development), and as guest presenters for the CIC Leadership Training Program and Big 10 Fund Raising Institute. Dr. Subbaswamy is listed in *Who's Who in American Science*.

Action taken: Approved Disapproved Other _____