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Office of the President  
June 14, 2005

Members, Board of Trustees:

MRS. LOUISIANA WOOD SIMPSON GIFT-IN-KIND

Recommendation: that the Board of Trustees accept the gift-in-kind of the Josephine Clay Collection, valued at \$225,590, from Mrs. Louisiana Wood Simpson of Lexington, Kentucky, to the University of Kentucky Libraries.

Background: Mrs. Louisiana Wood Simpson is the great, great granddaughter of Henry Clay. The Josephine Clay Collection includes more than two hundred items associated with Henry Clay and other members of the Clay family. The focus of the collection reflects Clay's interest in raising livestock, particularly thoroughbred horses, and the family's racing and breeding activities following Henry Clay's death in 1852. The material includes correspondence, notes, legal documents, funeral notices, broadsides, family mementos, and letters written by Henry Clay, Edward Everett, Ulysses S. Grant, and Abraham Lincoln.

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Action taken:     Approved     Disapproved     Other \_\_\_\_\_