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Office of the President
May 4, 2004

Members, Board of Trustees:

RENAMING COLLEGE OF DESIGN RESEARCH FUND

Recommendation: that the Board of Trustees rename the Affordable Housing Design Research Fund in the College of Design as the John Russell Groves-Kentucky Housing Corporation Research Fund in Affordable Housing Design.

Background: In 2002, the Kentucky Housing Corporation (KHC) provided a gift of \$300,000 to establish the Affordable Housing Design Research Fund. The gift was matched by the state's Research Challenge Trust Fund. KHC Chief Executive Officer Lynn Luallen requested that the fund be renamed in memory of John Russell Groves, former architecture professor who died in September, 2003.

Professor Groves was a graduate of the University of Kentucky, earning degrees in architecture, education, law, and diplomacy and international commerce from 1970 to 1999. He served as Adjutant General of the Commonwealth of Kentucky from 1995 to 1999. He also served as the Commissioner (1980-81) and Deputy Commissioner (1978-79) of the Kentucky Department of Housing, Buildings, and Construction. Dr. Groves worked closely with officials of the Kentucky Housing Corporation during his tenure in state government and was instrumental in developing this affordable housing design research initiative in the College of Design. This fund advances knowledge, service, and education in housing and urban design, community planning, and rural preservation. It supports research instructive to private developers, planners, practicing architects, and others concerned with Kentucky's economic and land-use development.

Action taken: Approved Disapproved Other _____