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Office of the President
December 10, 2002

Members, Board of Trustees:

THOMAS C. AND EVELYN W. FINNIE GIFT AND PLEDGE

Recommendation: that the Board of Trustees accept a gift of \$10,184 and a pledge of \$300,000 from Thomas C. and Evelyn W. Finnie of St. Louis, Missouri, for the BS/MBA Graduate Fellowship Endowment Fund in the College of Engineering.

In accordance with the Council on Postsecondary Education guidelines, the Board of Trustees acknowledges that it has primary responsibility for the implementation of the Endowment Match Program and is responsible for providing oversight of all endowment funds.

Background: Mr. and Mrs. Finnie are long-time supporters of the College of Engineering. Mr. Finnie, a 1940 graduate in civil engineering, is a retired consulting engineer, having enjoyed a long and successful career in the U.S. Air Force's geographic information systems and photogrammetry engineering. The gift will support engineering students who are simultaneously earning a Bachelor of Science degree and a Master of Business Administration degree. Mr. and Mrs. Finnie began their generous support of the BS/MBA program in March 1999. This gift is eligible for matching funds from the state's Research Challenge Trust Fund.

Action taken: Approved Disapproved Other _____