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Office of the President
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Members, Board of Trustees:

DONATION OF THE
JOHN C. WYATT/LEXINGTON HERALD-LEADER COLLECTION (1939-1990) TO THE
UNIVERSITY OF KENTUCKY LIBRARIES' AUDIO-VISUAL ARCHIVES

Recommendation: that the Board of Trustees accept the donation of the John C. Wyatt/ Lexington Herald-Leader Collection (1939-1990) to the University of Kentucky Libraries' Audio-Visual Archives, subject to an Archiving and Use Agreement.

Background: The Lexington *Herald* began publishing in 1870, followed by the *Leader* in 1888. In 1937, *Leader* owner John G. Stoll purchased the *Herald*. Knight Newspapers bought both papers in 1973. The two were merged in 1983 to form the *Herald-Leader*. This collection consists of microfilm, photographic negatives, and transparencies taken between 1939 and 1990. Some portions of the collection show the effects of time and deterioration, and preservation is necessary to slow further deterioration. Current Publisher Tim Kelly was instrumental in arranging for the gift to UK. He noted, "We are extremely pleased that we have been able to complete an agreement with the university that will ensure the survivability of this record of decades in the history of central Kentucky as seen through the lenses of photographers from the Lexington *Herald*, the Lexington *Leader*, and the Lexington *Herald-Leader*."

Under the terms of the Archiving and Use Agreement, the university will be able to make the collection available to the public for educational, academic, and research purposes. The *Herald-Leader* retains most other usage rights for the collection. The university has a grant from the National Historical Preservation and Records Commission to support some of the preservation activities, as well as creation of an index for the collection.

Action taken: Approved Disapproved Other _____