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Office of the President
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Members, Board of Trustees:

RENOVATE RESEARCH LABS IN
CHEMISTRY-PHYSICS BUILDING

Recommendation: that the Board of Trustees approve initiation of the renovation of research labs in the Chemistry-Physics Building.

Background: At the June 12, 2007 meeting, the Board of Trustees approved renovating space in the M. I. King Library to accommodate the relocation of the Chemistry and Physics libraries and a student computer lab from the Chemistry-Physics Building. The space vacated by the relocation of the Chemistry and Physics libraries will be converted into research and research support space. Authorized by the 2008 Kentucky General Assembly, this renovation will create three wet bench research labs and one materials lab to accommodate three new faculty lines in Chemistry and Physics. The materials lab will be a multi-disciplinary lab that will be used by Chemistry, Physics, and Engineering.

The renovation project is expected to cost \$2,080,000 and will be funded with the provost's unrestricted fund balances.

Action taken: Approved Disapproved Other _____