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Office of the President
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Members, Board of Trustees:

REVISION TO HONORARY DEGREE – IN MEMORIAM POSTHUMOUS DEGREE

Recommendation: that the Board of Trustees revise the protocol for approval of an *In Memoriam Posthumous Degree* to permit conferral to a student who became seriously ill or injured while they were registered in a degree program and in good academic standing, and who subsequently died from that illness or injury after the student's last registered term.

Background: An *In Memoriam Posthumous Degree* allows for recognition of a connection to the University of Kentucky for undergraduate, graduate, and professional students who were registered in a degree program and were in good academic standing at the time of their death, but did not complete degree requirements. It is possible that a student's degree pursuit may be ended prematurely by serious illness or injury that leads to the student's death after the student's last registered semester. The requested revision would allow the Board of Trustees to approve conferral of an *In Memoriam Posthumous Degree* to a student who is a qualified candidate and meets all criteria except for the timing of the student's death.

Action taken: Approved Disapproved Other_____