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Office of the President
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Members, Board of Trustees:

INTERNAL LOAN FOR CONSTRUCT AGRICULTURE RESEARCH FACILITY 2
(MEATS AND FOOD DEVELOPMENT CENTER – DESIGN PHASE)
CAPITAL PROJECT

Recommendation: that the Board of Trustees approve an internal loan to fund a portion of the Construct Agriculture Research Facility 2 (Meats and Food Development Center-Design Phase) capital project.

Background: Pursuant to the university’s Internal Loan Program Policy, any internal loan for capital purposes greater than \$1,000,000 must be approved by the Board.

In December 2023, the Board of Trustees approved the initiation of the design phase for Construct Agriculture Research Facility 2 (Meats and Food Development Center) capital project and the pursuit of legislative authority from the Commonwealth of Kentucky for the construction phase of this project. The capital project, for the Martin-Gatton College of Agriculture, Food and Environment, was approved with a scope of \$9,000,000 to be funded with agency funds.

The Board is requested to approve a revised funding source to include an internal loan not to exceed \$3,400,000 for a portion of the project. The remaining \$5,600,000 will be funded with agency funds. Pursuant to the university’s Internal Loan Program Policy, the Debt Management Committee has reviewed and approved this internal loan recommendation.

Action taken: Approved Disapproved Other _____