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Members, Board of Trustees:

APPOINTMENT/REAPPOINTMENT TO BOARD OF DIRECTORS
UNIVERSITY OF KENTUCKY GLUCK EQUINE RESEARCH FOUNDATION, INC.

Recommendation: that the Board of Trustees approve the appointment of William J. Moroney, Kiki Courtelis, and Joe Kinnarney to the Board of Directors of the University of Kentucky Gluck Equine Research Foundation for a four-year term, ending January 1, 2024.

Background: The Nominating Committee of the University of Kentucky Gluck Equine Research Foundation, which includes the Dean of the College of Agriculture, Food, and Environment, recommended these appointments to the Provost. These appointments require approval by the Board of Trustees in accordance with the Articles of Incorporation and By-Laws for the University of Kentucky Gluck Equine Research Foundation approved by the Board of Trustees at its September 1984 meeting. These nominations are supported by the President and Provost.

Action taken: Approved Disapproved Other _____

**Bios for University of Kentucky Gluck Equine Research Foundation, Inc.
Board of Directors**

William J. Moroney

William (Bill) Moroney has served as Chief Executive Officer of the United States Equestrian Federation (USEF) since January of 2016. The USEF has over 180,000 members and is recognized as the National Governing Body for the sport of equestrian by the United States Olympic and Paralympic Committee (USOPC), as well as the U.S. National Federation by the Fédération Equestre Internationale (FEI). The USEF fields equestrian teams that, for the better part of a century, have sustained the United States' position as a global leader in the sport by consistently excelling competitively on both national and international fields of play.

Under Moroney's leadership, USEF implemented an ambitious Strategic Plan that has led to significant growth in membership; enhanced equine and human safety and welfare initiatives; increased sponsorship, member benefits and value; as well as improvements in the areas of athlete and horse development, governance, and sport regulation. Additionally, the USEF recently completed construction and moved into its new headquarters at the Kentucky Horse Park, transitioned its laboratory function to the University of Kentucky, and implemented a comprehensive Safe Sport Program to educate and protect athletes of all ages, especially minors, from abuse.

Prior to assuming his current role, Moroney spent over 38 years in the disciplines of hunters and jumpers as an owner, trainer, rider, and clinician; and for 21 of those years, as a USEF-licensed official. He has over 20 years of experience in the governance of equestrian sport, serving as a member or chair of several USEF committees and as the founding president of the United States Hunter Jumper Association (USHJA), the largest Recognized Affiliate of the USEF.

Kiki Courtelis, Town & Country

Kiki Courtelis is CEO of Town & Country Farms (townandcountryfarms.com) located in Georgetown, Kentucky. Courtelis is a business graduate of Barry University. She was formerly involved in the training and raising of champion Arabian show horses and later evolved into one of the elite thoroughbred breeding and racing organizations in the United States. Courtelis, as the CEO of Town and Country Farms, presides over all aspects of the farm, including breeding, racing, public and private sales, investment opportunities, and farm operations.

Kiki's career began in the mid-1970s when she got involved with her family's Arabian show horses. Later, she owned a high-end women's fashion boutique in the Miami, Florida area. Her career would then take her to Boston, Massachusetts, where she entered Public Service as Director of Development for the Metropolitan District Commission. Governor Weld also recruited her to be on his Privatization Team.

In the mid-1990s, she returned to Miami to be closer to her family as her ailing father battled cancer. While back in Miami, Kiki was the Chairman of The Florida Shakespeare Theater, raising funds to build a 200-seat venue.

When her father and brother passed, Kiki and her mother moved permanently to the farm in Ocala, Florida where she opened a 120-acre thoroughbred training facility. She became co-trustee of her family's estate and was also involved in her late father's real estate development company, Courtelis Company (courtelis.com).

In 2007, Kiki and her mother moved their Ocala-based operation to the Lexington, Kentucky area to be at the heart of thoroughbred horse racing. Town & Country Farms continues to grow and thrive today, highlighted by her 4-year-old filly, Stopchargingmaria, winning the 2015 Breeders' Cup Distaff at Keeneland Racecourse.

Along with the farm, she still manages her family's estate and holdings, and her passion and care for her horses is unsurpassed.

Dr. Joe Kinnarney, Reidsville Veterinary Hospital

Dr. Joe Kinnarney is the President of Reidsville Veterinary Hospital located in Reidsville, North Carolina. Dr. Kinnarney obtained his BS in Animal Science and his MS in Reproductive Physiology from the University of Kentucky and obtained his Doctor of Veterinary Medicine from Cornell University. Shortly after joining Reidsville, served well by his skills and dedication, Dr. Kinnarney quickly gained a partnership that lead to majority ownership, and he now exclusively practices small animal medicine. While keeping up to speed as a general practitioner, his primary interest is small animal surgery, especially enjoying complex orthopedic cases. In addition to his surgical case load, show dog breeders from coast to coast demand his attention.

Dr. Kinnarney's competitive spirit started with horses during his childhood. He particularly enjoys exhibiting in English Pleasure. To date, his Arabian Horses wear the rose garlands from over 15 US and Canadian National Championships. He is an accomplished Saddle Seat rider and participates in competitions throughout the US.

Professional awards include: Veterinarian of the Year, North Carolina Veterinary Medical Association (1991); Vice-President, American Veterinary Medical Association (AVMA) and Student Liaison (1999 -2001); Board of Directors, AVMA (2007 – 2013); and AVMA President (2015 – 2016).