DESIGNATE ROY J. CARVER BIOTECHNOLOGY CENTER, URBANA

**Action:** Designate the Biotechnology Center at Urbana as the Roy J. Carver Biotechnology Center, Urbana

**Funding:** No Funding Required

The Chancellor Designate at Urbana recommends that the Biotechnology Center be designated the Roy J. Carver Biotechnology Center, in recognition of the generous support the Roy J. Carver Charitable Trust has provided for biotechnology facilities and research on the Urbana campus. Since 1992, the Trust has provided nearly $12.0 million to support science and engineering initiatives at Urbana, approximately $8.0 million of which has been directed toward biotechnology-related research. This support includes grants for research by young investigators as well as facilities and equipment.

In February 2005, the Carver Trust announced a $3.15 million grant that will support the development of a state-of-the-art facility in bioinformatics and mass spectrometry. These new capabilities will place the University of Illinois at the forefront of biotechnology and life sciences research and will serve the needs of more than 100 research groups in disciplines across campus.

The Roy J. Carver Charitable Trust is located in Muscatine, Iowa. Its program in medical and scientific research provides support for innovative investigation
that holds the promise for advancing scientific knowledge and improving human health. Roy J. Carver graduated from the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign in 1934 with a bachelor’s degree in engineering.

The board action recommended in this item complies in all material respects with applicable State and federal laws, University of Illinois Statutes, The General Rules Concerning University Organization and Procedure, and Board of Trustees policies and directives.

The President of the University concurs.