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TO:

Montana University System (MUS) Board of Regents

FROM:

Global Leadership Initiative (GLI)

SUBJECT:

Support for the naming of the Franke Global Leadership Initiative

With full support, the Global Leadership Initiative Oversight Board, which includes student representation, provides President Engstrom and the MUS Board of Regents with affirmation that the University of Montana's Global Leadership Initiative should be named the Franke Global Leadership Initiative in honor of W.A. Franke and family.

The Franke family has committed a gift of \$6 million to the Global Leadership Initiative. This pledge will create an endowment that will be dedicated to scholarships for GLI students pursuing credit-bearing educational experiences outside of the classroom, including internships, service-learning, study abroad, research and field experiences. The pledge will also provide funding for staffing and operations that are critical to the support of students in the program. The Board is thrilled to have this level of sustained support for students in the Global Leadership Initiative.

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