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**DECLARATION OF GIFT AND GUIDELINES
FOR THE
JAMES L. "JIM" FERN MUSIC EDUCATION SCHOLARSHIP**

HISTORY

The James L. "Jim" Fern Music Education Scholarship was established through the generous gifts of family, friends and colleagues to recognize his contributions to music education and community service.

Whereas James L. "Jim" Fern placed a high value upon the importance of music education demonstrated through his work as a music teacher, music administrator and Executive Secretary of the Kentucky Music Educators Association, and;

Whereas James L. "Jim" Fern served as president of the Gamma Delta Chapter at Murray State University while a student, and;

Whereas James L. "Jim" Fern placed a high value upon the importance of music education demonstrated through his work as a music teacher, music administrator and Executive Secretary of the Kentucky Music Educators Association, and;

Whereas James L. "Jim" Fern was a Kentucky band director in Benton, Hopkinsville, Livingston Co., Marshall Co., and Reidland, and;

Whereas James L. "Jim" Fern served as a guest conductor and adjudicator in Kentucky and surrounding states for many years, and;

Whereas James L. "Jim" Fern was honored as Kentucky's outstanding educator by the Hopkinsville Jaycees Club, and by the Kentucky Music Educator's Association with their Citation for Service and Distinguished Service awards, and;

Whereas James L. "Jim" Fern's contagious enthusiasm, energy, devotion, and commitment had a positive impact upon many people, and;

Whereas James L. "Jim" Fern, was the devoted husband to Carolyn Fern for over 45 years, and father to Robert (Bob), Jay and Martha Fern, and;

Whereas James L. "Jim" Fern's contagious enthusiasm, energy, devotion and commitment had a positive impact upon many people, and;

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Whereas James L. "Jim" Fern's colleagues, family and friends wish to honor his determination and spirit through a scholarship to assist university or college students obtain a degree in music education, and;

Whereas these people have made generous donations to establish an endowed scholarship in honor of James L. "Jim" Fern, and;

Whereas, the Kentucky Music Educators Association wishes to assist in this gracious and noteworthy endeavor; the following guidelines are hereby established for the operation of the James L. "Jim" Fern Music Education Scholarship.

GUIDELINES

1. The scholarship shall be known as the James L. "Jim" Fern Music Education Scholarship.
2. Recipients of the scholarship shall be students of at least junior status who have been accepted into the music teacher education program at their Kentucky university or college and fulfilled the requirements stated in the scholarship application.
3. Recipients shall be selected by a scholarship committee consisting of five members; three elected from CODA, the KMEA Vice-President, and the KMEA Executive Director. The KMEA Vice-President shall serve as chair.
4. Recipients of the scholarship may reapply.
5. The awards each year shall be payable in two payments over one academic year. The exact amount and number of awards may vary based on growth in the fund and available interest earnings. Awards will be made one year after the endowment level is reached.
6. The Kentucky Music Educators Association shall serve as administrator of all monies and securities of the scholarship fund and shall invest monies in a safe and prudent manner. Only annual contributions as designated by the donors and interest earnings may be used for scholarship awards.

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7. The Kentucky Music Educators Association reserves the right to withhold granting this award in a given year.
8. Changes to these guidelines may be made by the President and Executive Director with the approval of the Kentucky Music Educators Association Board of Directors.

President, KMEA

Executive Director, KMEA

The above and foregoing was signed and acknowledged before me this; the
____ day of _____, _____,

Notary Public, Commonwealth of Kentucky

My commission expires: _____