THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN REGENTS COMMUNICATION

ACTION REQUEST

Subject:

Women's Rowing Team Facility

New Building

Action

Requested:

Approval to Proceed with Project

Background:

The Women's Rowing Team held practice and competition on the Huron River until two years ago. However, due to the lack of an adequate straight course and "No Wake Law," which limits the utility of the coach's support boats, they moved their operations to Belleville Lake in Van Buren Township. Therefore, an adequate facility is need at Belleville Lake.

The Women's Rowing Team Facility will consist of three structures: a 6,800 sq. ft. boathouse, a 1,350 sq. ft. boatwell and enclosure, and the existing pole barn at Belleville Lake. A concrete floor will be added to the existing pole barn. The boathouse will contain a large team meeting room, a dry boat storage and repair area, a team locker facility and public toilets (a component of the lease agreement with the township.) The boathouse will be designed for year around occupancy. The boatwell enclosure will provide shelter for three team powerboats and for one boat owned by the sheriff's department (another component of the lease agreement.) The construction will be basic residential quality with the exception of the boathouse floor, which will be concrete metal pan on steel joists. The land will be leased for a fifty-one year term from Van Buren Township. The township will provide water and sewer service connections at the building.

The project is estimated to cost \$900,000 with funding from the Athletic Department's operating budget. The project is expected to begin in Fall 1998 and be completed by Summer 1999.

We recommend the Regents approve proceeding with the project as described.

Respectfully submitted,

Robert Kasdin

Executive Vice President

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APPROVED BY THE REGENTS ON