THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN REGENTS COMMUNICATION

ACTION REQUEST

Subject:

The University of Michigan-Dearborn

Fieldhouse Renovation

Action

Requested:

Project Approval and Appointment of Architect/Engineer

Background:

The University of Michigan-Dearborn Fieldhouse opened for use in 1978. Recognizing that major renovations were needed after 22 years of use, the firm of SSOE, Inc., was engaged and recommends renovations estimated to cost approximately \$3.7 million. The major work includes replacing the original ice rink and ice production system, the original multipurpose gym flooring, HVAC modifications, and replacement of the original roof.

The project will be financed through the issuance of tax-exempt debt secured by a pledge of General Revenues to be paid from student fees. The construction cash flow may be provided, all or in part, by increasing the commercial paper issuance under the \$120 million program, secured by a pledge of General Revenues and authorized by the Regents. We plan to return to the Regents during the design phase to request budget approval and request authorization to issue the project for bids.

We recommend the Regents approve the University of Michigan-Dearborn Fieldhouse Renovation project as described, and authorize appointing SSOE, Inc., as the Architect/Engineer.

Respectfully submitted,

Bernard W. Klein, Interim Chancellor

University of Michigan-Dearborn

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Executive Vice President

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