ACTION REQUEST

Subject: Edward H. Kraus Building
Renovate Multiple Laboratories

Action Requested: Approval to Proceed with Project

Background:

This project will renovate space in the Kraus Building, much of which has not been renovated in decades. Upon completion, the renovated space will initially be utilized for research laboratories and support space for the co-director of the Life Sciences Institute (LSI), Dr. Scott Emr, prior to the completion of the Life Sciences Institute Building. The space will be renovated to meet contemporary wet laboratory standards and will be connected to the new central exhaust system. The renovated facilities will be flexible enough to accommodate College of Literature, Science and the Arts researchers after Dr. Emr moves into the new building.

The project area encompasses approximately 19,450 gross square feet of space on the first, second and fourth floors of the E. H. Kraus Building. First floor areas will accommodate the relocated fish facility, plant laboratory, offices of existing programs, and two newly renovated biomedical research laboratories with support spaces. A laboratory with support space plus offices for the LSI director will be built on the second floor. Standard distribution of laboratory services such as de-ionized water, gas and compressed air at benches, fire protection and telecommunications systems will be installed. We do not anticipate any impact on parking associated with this renovation.

The estimated cost of this project is $3,000,000. The funding for the project will be provided from central administration sources. The University of Michigan Plant Extension Department will design the project. The scheduled completion for this project is April 2002.

We recommend that the Regents approve the Edward H. Kraus Building Renovate Multiple Laboratories project as described, and authorize issuing the project for bids and awarding a construction contract providing that bids are within the approved budget.

Respectfully submitted,

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and Chief Financial Officer

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