## THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN REGENTS COMMUNICATION

## ACTION REQUEST

Subject: University of Michigan Health System (UMHS)

General Clinical Research Center (GCRC) Expansion

<u>Action</u>

Approval to Proceed with Project

Requested:

## Background:

The General Clinical Research Center (GCRC) provides an institutional focus for transitioning clinical research into direct patient care. The GCRC operates out of University Hospital (UH) patient units 7A and 7B. Unit 7A was originally designed for inpatient clinical research and has undergone several renovations to maintain pace with evolving research protocols. Unit 7B has been closed for the past two years and reallocated in part to accommodate the growth of the GCRC outpatient clinical research program. The GCRC was recently awarded a grant from the National Institutes of Health (NIH) that will permit the renovation and expansion of the inpatient and outpatient clinical research programs for the Health System.

This project permits the expansion of the outpatient program and placement of activities presently situated in Unit 7B. In addition, Unit 7A will be renovated to increase its functionality in support of the inpatient clinical research initiatives. To accommodate these changes some space in the Med Inn Building will also need attention.

The total project is estimated to cost \$1,137,824. Funding of \$568,912 will be provided from the NIH construction grant. Matching funds will be provided from the Office of the Executive Vice-President for Medical Affairs. The project is scheduled for completion in Summer 2002.

We recommend that the Regents approve the University of Michigan Health System's GCRC Expansion 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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APPROVED BY THE REGENTS ON

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