

THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN
REGENTS COMMUNICATION

ACTION REQUEST

Approved by the Regents

July 21, 2006

Subject: Newberry Hall
Kelsey Museum Addition and Renovation

Action Requested: Authorization to Issue the Project for Bids and Award Construction Contracts

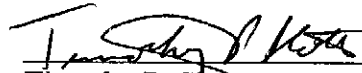
Background:

At the March 2006 meeting, the Regents approved the revised project scope and budget for the Kelsey Museum Addition and Renovation project. The project includes an addition of approximately 16,800 gross square feet and upgrades to selected architectural, mechanical, electrical, and life safety systems in the existing building. The addition will be two floors housing additional exhibition display space, collection storage, and spaces for exhibit preparation, research, teaching and support.

The estimated cost of the project is \$9,200,000. Funding will be provided from longtime donors Edwin and Mary Meader of Kalamazoo, Michigan, a grant from the National Endowment for the Humanities, additional gifts, investment proceeds, and resources from the College of Literature, Science, and the Arts. The construction cash flow may be provided, all or in part, by increasing the commercial paper issuance under the commercial paper program, secured by a pledge of General Revenues, and authorized by the Regents. Construction is scheduled to be completed in Summer 2008.

We recommend that the Regents authorize issuing the Newberry Hall Kelsey Museum Addition and Renovation project for bids and awarding construction contracts providing that bids are within the approved budget.

Respectfully submitted,



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Chief Financial Officer

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