THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN REGENTS COMMUNICATION

Approved by the Regents September 20, 2012

ACTION REQUEST

Subject:

South Quadrangle Renovation

Action

Requested:

Approval of Project and Authorization to Appoint an Architect

Background:

Originally constructed in 1951, South Quadrangle is an approximately 390,000-gross-square-foot residence hall housing approximately 1,180 students and the Honors Program. As part of the ongoing Residential Life Initiative, we propose a renovation of the ground and first floors of South Quadrangle. A renovation of approximately 106,700 gross square feet will provide expanded student dining facilities for the central campus neighborhood, refurbished community spaces, and updated bathrooms throughout the building. New and reorganized spaces will revitalize the residence hall and create much needed spaces for student interaction and community development such as group study spaces, music practice rooms, and refurbished lounges. Infrastructure improvements within the renovated areas include: new plumbing, heating, cooling, ventilation, fire detection and suppression systems; wired and wireless high-speed network access; and accessibility improvements. The scope of this project includes the architectural, mechanical, and electrical work necessary to accomplish these improvements. There will be no impact on parking from this project.

The estimated cost of the project is \$60,000,000. Funding will be provided from Housing resources. The construction cash flow may be provided, all or in part, by bond proceeds or increasing the commercial paper issuance under the commercial paper program, secured by a pledge of General Revenues, and authorized by the Board of Regents. The architectural firm of SmithGroupJJR will design the project. Design is scheduled to begin immediately and we will return with a construction schedule when we seek approval of schematic design.

We recommend that the Board of Regents approve the South Quad Renovation Project as described and authorize commissioning SmithGroupJJR for its design.

Respectfully submitted,

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