

THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN
REGENTS COMMUNICATION

ACTION REQUEST

Subject: Building Naming

Action

Requested: Authorization to name the addition to the Art and Architecture Building for A. Alfred Taubman

Background:

A. Alfred Taubman (HLLD '91), alumnus, has been an exceptionally generous donor to the University of Michigan, providing more than \$155 million to support a range of projects and programs. A longtime supporter of the University of Michigan Health System, he was a volunteer leader and supporter of the replacement hospital project completed in 1986, and contributed toward the A. Alfred Taubman Health Care Center for outpatient care and the A. Alfred Taubman Health Sciences Library. A \$100 million gift endowed the A. Alfred Taubman Medical Research Institute, and he supported the expansion and restoration of the University of Michigan Museum of Art.

In 1998, his gift of \$30 million to the College of Architecture and Urban Planning was the largest gift ever to a collegiate architecture program in the United States. In recognition of the transformative nature of the gift, the college was named the A. Alfred Taubman College of Architecture and Urban Planning.

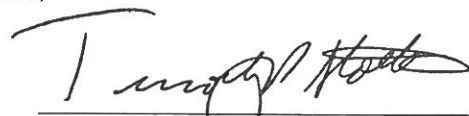
Mr. Taubman has a deep and long understanding of the power of architecture and a commitment to the college that bears his name. He is making an additional gift of \$12.5 million to help fund a much-needed \$28 million expansion and renovation of the Art and Architecture Building that will again transform the college. This project will also be funded from university and college resources and other fundraising.

In recognition of this significant commitment from A. Alfred Taubman toward the construction of the expansion and renovation to the Art and Architecture Building, we recommend that the Board of Regents acknowledge the donor by formally designating the addition of the Art and Architecture Building as the A. Alfred Taubman Wing.

Respectfully submitted,



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