## THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN REGENTS COMMUNICATION

## ACTION REQUEST

Subject: **Building Naming** 

Action

Requested: Authorization to change the name of the Kresge Business Administration Library

in the Stephen M. Ross School of Business

Background:

In 1984 and 1985, the Kresge Foundation provided the University of Michigan's Business School (now the Stephen M. Ross School of Business) with \$2.5 million to build a facility, named the Kresge Business Administration Library, to house a state-of-the-art business library, along with computer resources and student team work rooms. These resources served the Ross School well for three decades, changing with the times and supporting the world-class faculty and student body.

The Ross School is currently reinventing its facilities, including the Kresge Business Administration Library, to provide more team work space for a diverse student body focused on collaboration and creativity, ubiquitous connectivity, flexible classrooms and essential seminar spaces, and accessible student and faculty spaces. The 55,000-item print collection from the Kresge Business Administration Library has been moved to the University Library and will largely be accessible through the university's online systems, and the building is currently undergoing a comprehensive renovation.

In recognition of the changing use of the Kresge Business Administration Library and in recognition of the Kresge Foundation's significant role in the development of the Stephen M. Ross School of Business, we recommend that the Board of Regents approve renaming the building Kresge Hall in compliance with the university's guidelines on namings and with the approval of the Kresge Foundation.

Respectfully submitted,

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