THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN REGENTS COMMUNICATION

ACTION REQUEST

Subject:

University of Michigan-Dearborn, University Mall Renovation

Action

Requested:

Authorization to Issue the Project for Bids and Award Construction Contracts

Background:

In November 1996 the Board of Regents approved the General Campus Renovations Phase III (GCRP III) project for the Dearborn Campus. In April 2000 the Board authorized the appointment of Neumann Smith & Associates as architect for the University Mall Renovation portion of the project and in March 2001 approved design and budget modification.

The renovation of the University Mall building will involve 82,400 square feet, and when completed, will provide space for student services, student organizations, and auxiliary services. The building will serve as a central location for students and visitors entering the University of Michigan-Dearborn campus. Construction is scheduled to begin in August 2001 and be completed in eighteen months.

This project is the third and final component of the General Campus Renovation Phase III, a \$46,900,000 State funded project authorized by Public Act 480 of 1996 and Public Act 116 of 1997. The estimate for construction is \$11,128,000 plus soft costs of \$1,910,000 for furniture and equipment. Design approval and authorization to proceed has been received from the State of Michigan. The State will fund seventy-five percent (75%) of the cost of the University Mall project and the UM-Dearborn will fund the balance (25%) from student fees. 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.

We recommend the Regents authorize issuing the University of Michigan-Dearborn, University Mall Renovation project for bids and awarding construction contracts providing that bids are within the approved budget.

Respectfully Submitted,

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APPROVED BY THE REGENTS ON

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