

THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN
REGENTS COMMUNICATION

ACTION REQUEST

Subject: Buhr Building Addition Interior Completion

Action Requested: Approval to Proceed with Project

Background:

In April 1996 the Regents approved an addition to the Buhr Building to house less frequently used books. The shell of the addition has been constructed, including the first, second and third floors. Due to initial funding sources, only the first floor was provided with shelving. Currently, the Library has a year's worth of material to store on the first level and anticipates that by the end of 1999 all available storage on the first level will be filled.

This project will complete the interior of the Buhr Building addition. It will provide for the construction of an elevator, stairs, the completion of the lighting, fire protection and alarm systems, and shelving for levels two, three and four. Based on the current rate of storage, completing the addition will provide the Library with an additional eight years of storage space.

The total cost of the project is \$1.5 million with funding from funds on hand. Construction is scheduled to begin immediately and expected to be completed by Summer 1999.

We recommend the Regents approve proceeding with the project as described.

Respectfully submitted,



Robert Kasdin
Executive Vice President

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APPROVED BY THE REGENTS ON

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