THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN REGENTS COMMUNICATION

ACTION REQUEST

Subject:

The University of Michigan-Dearborn

General Campus Renovation Project Phase III College of Arts, Sciences, and Letters Building

Action

Requested:

Authorization to Issue the Project for Bids and Award a Construction Contract

Background:

At the May 1998 meeting, the Regents approved the design and revised budget for the construction of a new College of Arts, Sciences, and Letters (CASL) Building on the University of Michigan-Dearborn campus. The \$31.9 million, 164,000 gross square foot CASL Building will provide quality new and replacement classroom space, instructional and research laboratory space, and faculty offices. The new facility will house three CASL departments - Behavioral Sciences, Mathematics and Statistics, and Humanities, as well as the CASL Dean's complex. The recommended budget is as follows:

Construction	\$24,930,000
Furnishings and Equipment	1,274,000
Professional Fees	3,227,000
Contingency	2,469,000
Total	\$31,900,000

The CASL building is part of the General Campus Renovation Project Phase III that includes three projects authorized by the State at \$46.9 million. Seventy-five percent (75%) of the funding is from the State and twenty-five percent (25%) is from UM-Dearborn. The UM-Dearborn portion will be financed, all or in part, by increasing the commercial paper issuance under the \$120 million program, secured by a pledge of General Revenues, and authorized by the Regents.

We propose to issue the project for bids in early 1999 and award a construction contract providing the costs remain within the project budget. Construction completion is expected to occur Summer 2001.

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

Respectfully submitted,

James C. Renick, Chancellor

Iniversity of Michigan-Dearborn

Robert Kasdin

Executive Vice President

December 1998

APPROVED BY THE REGENTS ON

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