THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN REGENTS COMMUNICATION

ACTION REQUEST

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Subject:

Kellogg Eye Center

Second Level Renovation

Action

Requested:

Approval to Proceed with Project

Background:

The Kellogg Eye Center research tower was constructed in 1983, with the second level of the research tower designed for the glaucoma clinic. As the research activities have grown over the past eight years, this space increasingly became needed for research. The Medical School approved moving the existing glaucoma clinic from the second level to the clinic space vacated by Turner Geriatrics, freeing the second level for research laboratories.

This project will convert approximately 5,750 sq. ft. of existing clinic space into three laboratories with shared equipment space, support space and offices. Two of the laboratories will be occupied by faculty members who currently occupy significantly undersized space on the Kellogg Eye Center fifth floor. The third laboratory will be occupied by a faculty member who has recently joined the department this year and who is currently borrowing space for his research.

Laboratories will be generic enough to permit, insofar as possible, easy adaptation by future researchers. The project will modify and expand the existing mechanical system and fume hood exhaust system. Standard laboratory distribution of plumbing services including water, gas and compressed air, fire protection, lighting, power and telecommunications systems will be installed. Furnishings, fixtures and equipment will follow UM practice and guidelines.

The project is estimated to cost \$1,700,000. Funding will be provided by the Medical School, the Department of Ophthalmology and possibly NIH construction grant funds for which we will compete. Construction cashflow may be financed, all or in part, with tax-exempt debt secured by a pledge based on patient revenues of the Medical School. Construction is scheduled to begin in September 1999 and take approximately 9 months to complete.

We recommend the Regents approve the project as described.

Respectfully submitted,

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