

THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN  
REGENTS COMMUNICATION

Approved by the  
Regents  
March 19, 2015

**ACTION REQUEST**

Subject: Recommendations for Honorary Degrees

Action Requested: Approval of Recommendations

The Committee on Honorary Degrees has recommended that honorary degrees be awarded to the following individuals:

- **John Dingell**, former U.S. Congressman for Michigan's 12<sup>th</sup> Congressional District, *Doctor of Laws*
- **Sanford R. Robertson**, pioneering venture capitalist, Founding Partner of Francisco Partners, *Doctor of Laws*
- **Paul Saginaw**, Co-Owner and Founding Partner, Zingerman's Community of Businesses, *Doctor of Laws*
- **Robert J. Shiller**, Sterling Professor of Economics, Department of Economics and Cowles Foundation for Research in Economics, Yale University; Professor of Finance and Fellow at the International Center for Finance, Yale School of Management, *Doctor of Science*
- **Ari Weinzwieg**, Co-Owner and Founding Partner, Zingerman's Community of Businesses, *Doctor of Laws*
- **Robin Wright**, Distinguished Scholar, Woodrow Wilson International Center for Scholars; Senior Fellow, U.S. Institute of Peace (joint), and Contributing Writer, The New Yorker Magazine, *Doctor of Humane Letters*
- **Tadataka Yamada**, gastroenterologist, pharmaceutical researcher, Executive Vice President and Chief Medical and Scientific Officer, Takeda Pharmaceutical Company Limited, *Doctor of Science*

All of these individuals will receive their honorary degrees at Spring 2015 Commencement.

We now submit these recommendations for your approval.

Respectfully submitted:



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Mark S. Schlissel  
President

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