THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN
REGENTS COMMUNICATION

ACTION REQUEST

Subject: North Hall
Infrastructure Improvements

Action Requested: Approval to Proceed with Project

Background:

Originally constructed in 1900 to house the university’s homeopathic medical college, the approximately 48,000-gross-square-foot North Hall has housed the university’s Naval Reserve Officer Training Corps (ROTC) program since 1940 and the Army and Air Force ROTC programs since 1951. This project will make improvements to the building’s infrastructure, including updating the fire detection and alarm system, improving building egress for life safety, providing an ADA-accessible main entrance and unisex bathroom, updating the building’s plumbing, electrical, heating, ventilation and air-conditioning systems, and adding storm windows for energy conservation. The scope of this project includes the architectural, mechanical and electrical work necessary to accomplish these improvements. There will be no impact on parking from this project.

The estimated cost of the project is $1,600,000. Funding will be provided from investment proceeds. 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 Board of Regents. The architectural firm of SmithGroup will design the project. Construction is scheduled to be completed in the winter of 2012.

We recommend that the Board of Regents approve the North Hall Infrastructure Improvements project as described, and authorize issuing the project for bids and awarding construction contracts providing that bids are within the approved budget.

Respectfully submitted,

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Chief Financial Officer

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