

THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN  
REGENTS COMMUNICATION

**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:

- **Lynn A. Conway**, Professor Emerita of Electrical Engineering and Computer Science, College of Engineering, University of Michigan; pioneering designer of computer architecture; and transgender activist; *Doctor of Science*
- **Rita F. Dove**, first African American US Poet Laureate; Pulitzer Prize-winner; and diversity advocate; *Doctor of Fine Arts*
- **James P. Hackett**, President and CEO, Ford Motor Company; former President and CEO, Steelcase, Inc.; former Interim Athletic Director, University of Michigan; *Doctor of Laws*
- **Elizabeth G. Nabel**, President, Brigham and Women's Hospital; Professor of Medicine, Harvard Medical School; Chief Medical Advisor, National Football League; and esteemed biomedical researcher and wellness advocate; *Doctor of Science*

All of these individuals will receive their honorary degrees at Winter 2018 Commencement.

We now submit these recommendations for your approval.

Respectfully submitted:



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Mark S. Schlissel  
President

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