### SUMMARY OF PERSONNEL ACTIONS SUPPLEMENTAL - REGENTS AGENDA June 2017

#### ANN ARBOR - Recommendations for approval

- 1. New appointments and promotions for regular associate and full professor ranks, with tenure.
  - (1) Overpeck, Jonathan T., Samuel A. Graham Dean, effective August 14, 2017 through August 31, 2022, and professor of environment and sustainability, School of Environment and Sustainability, effective August 14, 2017.
- 2. Joint or additional appointments or transfers of regular associate or full professors and selected academic and administrative staff.
  - (1) Barr, Michael S., Joan and Sanford Weill Dean of Public Policy, Gerald R. Ford School of Public Policy, and transfer of tenure from professor of public policy, without tenure, Gerald R. Ford School of Public Policy, and professor of law, with tenure, Law School, to professor of public policy, with tenure, Gerald R. Ford School of Public Policy, and professor of law, with tenure, Law School, effective August 1, 2017 (also Roy F. and Jean Humphrey Profitt Professor of Law.)
  - (2) Pearlman, Mark D., M.D., interim chair, Department of Obstetrics and Gynecology, Medical School, effective July 1, 2017 (also S. Jan Behrman Collegiate Professor of Reproductive Medicine, professor of obstetrics and gynecology, with tenure, and professor of surgery, without tenure.)
  - (3) Racine, Melody L., interim dean, School of Music, Theatre & Dance, effective August 16, 2017 (also clinical associate professor.)

#### THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN

Regents Communication

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Recommendations for approval of new appointments and promotions for regular associate and full professor ranks, with tenure

**ACTION REQUEST:** 

Faculty and Administrative Appointment

NAME:

Jonathan T. Overpeck

TITLES:

Samuel A. Graham Dean, and Professor of Environment

and Sustainability, School for Environment and

Sustainability

TENURE STATUS:

With Tenure

TERM:

Deanship: Five Years, Renewable

EFFECTIVE DATE:

August 14, 2017

I am extremely pleased to recommend the appointment of Jonathan T. Overpeck as the inaugural dean of the newly formed School for Environment and Sustainability. I recommend that he be appointed as the Samuel A. Graham Dean, effective August 14, 2017 through August 31, 2022, and professor of environment and sustainability, with tenure, School for Environment and Sustainability, effective August 14, 2017. This recommendation follows a national search conducted by a search advisory committee.

Jonathan Overpeck will be charged with leading the new School for Environment and Sustainability, which will replace the existing School of Natural Resources and Environment with an expanded scope and mission. The new school will build on the strengths of the School of Natural Resources and Environment and be structured to engage faculty from across the university. The newly formed school, which becomes official July 1, 2017, will have porous boundaries so it can provide leadership and work collaboratively with other schools, institutes and programs at the university both to develop solutions to the most challenging global sustainability issues we face as a society and to adopt innovative approaches to teaching.

Jonathan Overpeck earned the A.B. degree with honors in geology from Hamilton College in 1979. He earned the M.Sc. and the Ph.D. degrees in geological sciences from Brown University in 1981 and 1985, respectively. From 1985-1986, he was a post-doctoral research scientist at Columbia University jointly with the NASA Goddard Institute for Space Sciences. From 1985-1990, he was a research scientist at the Lamont-Doherty Geological Observatory, now the Lamont-Doherty Earth Observatory, of Columbia University.

In 1990, he founded the NOAA Paleoclimatology Program at the National Climate Data Center in Boulder, Colorado, and served as its head until 1999. He founded the World Data Center for Paleoclimatology in Boulder in 1992 and served as the director until 1999. From 1990-1999, he

was a fellow in the Institute for Arctic and Alpine Research and from 1992-2000 he was an adjunct associate professor in the Department of Geological Sciences at the University of Colorado.

It was 1999 when Professor Overpeck joined the Department of Geosciences at the University of Arizona, Tucson, as a professor. From 1999-2008, he was the director of the Institute for the Study of Planet Earth. In 2009, he became the founding co-director of the Institute of the Environment and then its director in 2016. In 2013, he was awarded the university's Thomas R. Brown Distinguished (Endowed) Chair. In 2016, he was appointed to the prestigious title of Regents Professor of Geosciences, Hydrology and Atmospheric Sciences. He is a faculty member in the Institute for Energy Solutions, an affiliated faculty member in the James E. Rogers College of Law, and has a joint professorship in the Department of Hydrology and Atmospheric Sciences, all at the University of Arizona.

Professor Overpeck's fields of research include climate dynamics, paleoclimatology, climate adaptation, natural resources management, stakeholder engagement and co-production of knowledge, climate change and law, and environmental communication. He has published more than 200 works in climate and environmental sciences and served as a coordinating lead author for the Nobel Prize-winning Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC) Fourth Assessment (2007). He was also a lead author of the IPCC Fifth Assessment Working Group 2 chapter on terrestrial and inland water systems and summary for policy makers (2010-2014).

He was awarded the U.S. Department of Commerce Bronze Medal (1994) and Gold Medal (1999), and the American Meteorological Society's Walter Orr Roberts award (2001) for his interdisciplinary research. He was a Guggenheim Fellow and the American Geophysical Union Bjerknes Lecturer in 2005 and won, with co-authors, the 2008 NOAA Oceanic and Atmospheric Research Outstanding Scientific Paper Award. In 2012, he was appointed as a senior fellow in the Energy and Climate Partnership of the Americas in the U.S. Department of State. In 2013, he received the Quivira Coalition's Radical Center Award for his work with rural ranchers and land managers and was also a recent fellow of the Victorian Centre for Climate Change Adaptation Research at the University of Melbourne, Australia.

Professor Overpeck has served as a member of various boards and committees of the National Academy of Science/National Research Council, for example, the Committee on Abrupt Climate Change: Science and Policy (2001); the Committee on Coping with Increasing Demands on Government Data Centers (2001-2003); the Committee on Ecological Impacts of Climate Change (2008); the Board on Environmental Change and Society (2012-); and the Board on Atmospheric Sciences and Climate (2014-). He also served on the board of reviewing editors of *Science* from 2006-2011. Professor Overpeck is an elected fellow of the American Association for the Advancement of Science (2009) and an elected fellow of the American Geophysical Union (2015).

Professor Overpeck commits significant time at the interface between science and society to help promote understanding of science and help scientists understand broader views, particularly those of decision-makers in society who must deal with real-world climate variability and change. In this capacity, he is a co-principal investigator of the Climate Assessment for the

Southwest Project (CLIMAS), one of the several NOAA Regional Integrated Sciences and Assessment (RISA) programs, and is the lead university investigator of the U. S. Department of the Interior's Southwest Climate Science Center.

He was also recently supported by the U.S. Department of Defense to work with its decision-makers on issues related to climate variability and change, and is the lead principal investigator of a large collaborative National Science Foundation project focused on global drought, how well drought can be simulated with earth system models, and how information about drought can be optimized for use in society. In his deep commitment to stakeholder interaction, federal outreach and science communication he has briefed and testified before Congress multiple times. At the University of Arizona, he teaches in the areas of environmental science, paleoenvironmental dynamics, and science communication.

In his belief that dealing with the planet's environmental challenges is a profoundly interdisciplinary activity, Professor Overpeck understands that faculty and students in disciplines across the natural and social sciences and the humanities will have to engage together in basic research, use-inspired research and practice. I am exceedingly confident that Jonathan Overpeck will lead the new School for Environment and Sustainability to play a pivotal, national role in developing the model for interdisciplinary excellence in environmental research, education and engagement. I am pleased to recommend his appointment as the Samuel A. Graham Dean and professor of environment and sustainability, with tenure, School for Environment and Sustainability, effective August 14, 2017.

Respectfully submitted,

Paul N. Courant

Interim Provost and Executive Vice President

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Recommendations for approval of joint or additional appointments or transfers of regular associate or full professors and selected academic and administrative staff

ACTION REQUEST:

Academic Administrative Appointment and Transfer of Tenure for

a Faculty Member

NAME:

Michael S. Barr

**CURRENT TITLES:** 

Roy F. and Jean Humphrey Proffitt Professor of Law,

Professor of Law, with tenure, Law School, and Professor of Public Policy, without tenure, Gerald R. Ford School of

**Public Policy** 

**RECOMMENDED TITLES:** 

Joan and Sanford Weill Dean of Public Policy, Professor of Public Policy, with tenure, Gerald R. Ford School of Public Policy, Roy F. and Jean Humphrey Proffitt Professor of Law,

and Professor of Law, with tenure, Law School

**EFFECTIVE DATE:** 

August 1, 2017

I am pleased to recommend the appointment of Michael S. Barr as the Joan and Sanford Weill Dean of Public Policy in the Gerald R. Ford School of Public Policy, for a five-year renewable term, effective August 1, 2017 through July 31, 2022, and the transfer of tenure from professor of law, with tenure, Law School, and professor of public policy, without tenure, to professor of law, with tenure, Law School, and professor of public policy, with tenure, Gerald R. Ford School of Public Policy, effective August 1, 2017. This recommendation follows a national search conducted by a search advisory committee.

Professor Barr received a B.A., with honors in history, *summa cum laude*, from Yale University in 1987. A Rhodes Scholar, he received a M.Phil. in international relations from Magdalen College, Oxford University. In 1992, he received a J.D. from Yale Law School.

Following his legal education, Professor Barr served as a law clerk, first in the U.S. District Court, Southern District of New York, for the Honorable Pierre N. Leval, and then as clerk to Associate Justice David Souter of the United States Supreme Court. Continuing in public service, he joined the policy planning staff of the U.S. Department of State. In 1995, he moved to the U.S. Department of Treasury where he was a special assistant to Secretary Robert E. Rubin before moving into the position of deputy assistant secretary of the treasury for community development policy, a role in which he served from 1997 to 2001. He concurrently served as a special advisor to President William J. Clinton, from 1999 to 2001. Professor Barr joined the University of Michigan Law School faculty in 2001 as an assistant professor of law. He is a leading scholar in the field of financial law and policy. He will continue to hold his current appointment as the Roy F. and Jean Humphrey Proffitt Professor of Law.

On leave from the university in 2009-2010, Professor Barr again served in the Department of Treasury as an assistant secretary for financial institutions. In that capacity, he was a key architect of

the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act of 2010. Professor Barr played a central role in the development of the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau, and in policies to expand access to capital for small businesses.

Since returning from leave, Professor Barr has established and directed a new interdisciplinary Center on Finance, Law and Policy, bringing together faculty from across the University on projects designed to help make the financial system safer, fairer, and better harnessed to the needs of the real economy. His books include Financial Regulation: Law & Policy (Foundation Press 2016, with Howell Jackson and Margaret Tahyar), No Slack: The Financial Lives of Low-Income Americans (Brookings Press, 2012), Insufficient Funds (Russell Sage, 2009, co-edited with Rebecca Blank), and Building Inclusive Financial Systems (Brookings Press, 2007, co-edited with Anjali Kumar and Robert Litan).

Recognized for his dedication to students, Professor Barr is co-founder of one of the university's first interdisciplinary clinics, the Detroit Neighborhood Entrepreneurs Project. It works in partnership with the Detroit Development Fund and Lifeline to connect small business owners in the city with students and faculty from the Law School, the Ross School of Business, the Stamps School of Art and Design, and the College of Engineering who can assist them with business development. Earlier in his career, Professor Barr co-founded the International Transactions Clinic.

Professor Barr has served as an advisor to a range of public policy initiatives and organizations, including the Brookings Institution and the Center for American Progress, the FDIC Advisory Committee on Economic Inclusion, the Gates Foundation, and the Washington Center for Equitable Growth.

Michael Barr has demonstrated strength in research, teaching, and public service. He brings considerable experience in leadership, management, and fundraising to the role of dean as well. I am confident that Professor Barr will provide thoughtful and effective leadership to the Gerald R. Ford School of Public Policy at a time of important public policy debate, expanding and deepening its collaborations across the university, and its policy impact. Under his leadership, I anticipate that the school will make significant and increasing contributions to public policy research, education, and impact at the local, state, national and global levels.

Respectfully submitted,

Paul N. Courant

Interim Provost and Executive Vice President for Academic Affairs

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ACTION REQUEST: Academic Administrative Appointment for a Faculty Member

NAME: Mark D. Pearlman, M.D.

CURRENT TITLES: S. Jan Behrman Collegiate Professor of Reproductive

Medicine, Professor of Obstetrics and Gynecology, with tenure, and Professor of Surgery, without tenure, Medical

School

ADDITIONAL TITLE: Interim Chair, Department of Obstetrics and Gynecology,

Medical School

EFFECTIVE DATE: July 1, 2017

With the concurrence of the Executive Committee of the Medical School, I am pleased to recommend the appointment of Mark D. Pearlman, M.D. as interim chair, Department of Obstetrics and Gynecology, Medical School, effective July 1, 2016. Dr. Pearlman will assume leadership in the department while a national search commences.

Dr. Pearlman received his M.D. degree from Michigan State University in 1984. He completed his residency in obstetrics and gynecology at William Beaumont Hospital in 1989 and a fellowship in infectious diseases in obstetrics and gynecology at Baylor College of Medicine in 1990. In 1990, Dr. Pearlman joined the faculty at the University of Michigan as an assistant professor in the Department of Obstetrics and Gynecology. He was promoted to associate professor, with tenure, in that department in 1997 at which time he was also jointly appointed as an associate professor, without tenure in the Department of Surgery. In 2001, Dr. Pearlman was appointed the S. Jan Behrman Collegiate Professor of Reproductive Medicine. He was promoted to professor in the Departments of Obstetrics and Gynecology and Surgery in 2002.

Dr. Pearlman is renowned nationally and internationally as an expert in the areas of breast diseases, gynecologic infectious diseases, quality assurance, and trauma in pregnancy. He has 81 peer-reviewed publications and has been well-funded through the NIH. He serves on numerous committees for national societies, including the American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists. He serves as vice chair and service chief for the Department of Obstetrics and Gynecology and is associate chief of staff for Michigan Medicine.

Dr. Pearlman continues to make significant contributions to the field of reproductive medicine and obstetrics and gynecology. Dr. Pearlman is an appropriate candidate to serve in this administrative capacity. I am pleased, therefore, to recommend the appointment of Mark D. Pearlman, M.D. as interim chair, Department of Obstetrics and Gynecology, Medical School, effective July 1, 2017.

Recommended by:

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Executive Vice President for Medical Affairs

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Dean, Medical School

Paul N. Courant

Interim Provost and Executive Vice

President for Academic Affairs

ACTION REQUEST:

Academic Administrative Appointment for a Faculty Member

NAME:

Melody L. Racine

**CURRENT TITLES:** 

Senior Associate Dean for Academic, Faculty and Student Affairs, and Clinical Associate Professor, School of Music,

Theatre & Dance

RECOMMENDED TITLES:

Interim Dean, and Clinical Associate Professor, School

of Music, Theatre & Dance

EFFECTIVE DATE:

August 16, 2017

I am pleased to recommend the appointment of Melody L. Racine as interim dean, School of Music, Theatre & Dance, effective August 16, 2017 until a permanent dean is appointed.

Professor Racine received the B.A. degree in music and elementary education from the University of Michigan-Flint in 1983, and the M.M. degree in voice performance from the University of Michigan in 1989. She began her academic career as a lecturer in the School of Music, Theatre & Dance at the University of Michigan in 1995. In 1998, she was appointed as a clinical assistant professor of music, and was promoted to clinical associate professor in 2004. She served as the interim chair of the Department of Voice from 2003 through 2004, and was chair of that department from 2008 to 2011. Professor Racine's appointment as associate professor of music, with tenure, will be effective September 2017.

From 2011 to 2015, Professor Racine served the school as the associate dean for academic affairs. In 2015, the title was amended to associate dean for academic and student affairs to more fully capture the responsibilities encompassed within the student affairs component of the position. The title was again changed in 2016 to senior associate dean for academic, faculty and student affairs to reflect Professor Racine's increased responsibilities in the management of the school. Her advancement in administration has been the direct result of her natural affinity to lead, organize, manage, and uphold the missions of the school and the university. In her current role as senior associate dean, she oversees many academic and administrative areas, including new degree initiatives; an \$11 million scholarship budget for general and endowed financial aid; admissions and enrollment planning; advising and counseling for baccalaureate and non-Rackham master's degree programs; study abroad; and the Excellence in Entrepreneurship, Career Empowerment & Leadership (EXCEL) team. She also represents the school in extra-unit activities such as the University Musical Society intern partnership, Interarts, UArts, and cross campus academic collaboration. In recognition of her leadership qualities, she was selected as a fellow in the Committee on Institutional Cooperation (CIC) Leadership Program in 2016

Professor Racine, mezzo soprano, is a master teacher in the fields of classical performance and musical theatre. Her singing has taken her to music festivals in Aspen and Tanglewood, along with concert, oratorio, and operatic stages all over the United States and in Italy. She is a recipient of the Harold Haugh Award for excellence in studio instruction. She maintains a studio of professional singers who grace the Broadway stage and the operatic stage. Celia Keenan-Bolger, Alex Gemignani, Daniel Reichard, Hailey Clark, Vince Yi, Oscar and Tony awardswinner, Justin Paul, and Tony award-winning Gavin Creel are some who are presently making a difference in the world of musical theatre and opera. In addition, she is a singing voice specialist with the University of Michigan Hospital's Vocal Health Center where she uses her extensive expertise and experience to facilitate the healing and training of patients.

I am pleased that Professor Racine has agreed to serve the School of Music, Theatre & Dance as interim dean. She is a distinguished performer, teacher, and academic administrator. With her years of experience and knowledge of the school, I am confident that momentum will be maintained during this interim period. I enthusiastically recommend this appointment, effective August 16, 2017.

Respectfully submitted,

Paul N. Courant

Interim Provost and Executive Vice President

for Academic Affairs