THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN
REGENTS COMMUNICATION

SUBJECT: Building Naming

ACTION REQUEST: Authorization to name the Detroit Observatory in honor of Stanley and Judy Frankel

PROPOSED NAME: Judy and Stanley Frankel Detroit Observatory

EFFECTIVE DATE: June 25, 2020

Background:

The University of Michigan received a $5 million gift from Stanley and Judy Frankel to support the renovation of the Detroit Observatory.

The Frankels have a long history of philanthropic and volunteer support across the University of Michigan, including support for students, faculty, research and programming in multiple schools, colleges, and units.

In recognition of Stanley and Judy Frankel’s exceptional generosity to U-M and this significant commitment, we recommend that the Board of Regents approve the naming of the Judy and Stanley Frankel Detroit Observatory, effective immediately.

Respectfully submitted,

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Approved by the Regents
June 25, 2020