ANN ARBOR CAMPUS – Recommendations for approval

1. Joint or additional appointments or transfers of regular associate or full professors and selected academic and administrative staff.

(1) Collins, Susan M., provost and executive vice president for academic affairs, Office of the Provost and Executive Vice President for Academic Affairs, effective July 16, 2020 through June 30, 2022 (also Edward M. Gramlich Collegiate Professor of Public Policy, professor of public policy, with tenure, Gerald R. Ford School of Public Policy, and professor of economics, without tenure, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts).
THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN

Regents Communication

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I am pleased to recommend the appointment of Susan M. Collins as provost and executive vice president for academic affairs, Office of the Provost and Executive Vice President for Academic Affairs, effective July 16, 2020 through June 30, 2022.

From the time of her appointment as acting provost in January 2020, Professor Collins has provided inspired and steadfast leadership as the chief academic and budgetary officer for the university. During a period of unprecedented challenges both within the provost’s domain and across the institution, her many years of experience as a distinguished academic leader and her expertise in public policy and financial systems have brought great insight and stability. Her demonstrated commitment to the values of the university over many years of leadership and service make her ideally suited for the responsibilities of provost and executive vice president for academic affairs.

Professor Collins served a decade as the Joan and Sanford Weill Dean at the Gerald R. Ford School of Public Policy (2007-2017). During her tenure as dean, she launched the school’s first undergraduate degree program, significantly expanding the student body and her achievements in diversity, equity and inclusion in graduate education were recognized by the university. Professor Collins currently serves on the board of directors for the Federal Reserve Bank of Chicago and the National Bureau of Economic Research and is a member of the Council on Foreign Relations.
Susan Collins earned her B.A. degree, summa cum laude, in economics from Harvard University in 1980. She earned her Ph.D. in economics from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology in 1984. She joined Harvard University in 1984 as an assistant professor of economics and rose to associate professor in 1988. In 1992, she moved to Georgetown University as an associate professor of economics and became a professor of economics in 1998-2007. She was a senior fellow at the Brookings Institution (1992-2007) where she still retains a nonresident affiliation.

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Respectfully submitted,

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President

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