REGENTS COMMUNICATION ACTION ITEM

Subject:

Naming of Michigan Stadium Tunnel

Action Requested:

Authorization to Name the Tunnel at Michigan Stadium for Lloyd Carr

Background:

Lloyd Carr came to the University of Michigan in 1980 as an assistant football coach serving under Bo Schembechler until 1989, and under Gary Moeller until 1994. He then became the program's head coach for 13 seasons (1995-2007), during which he guided the Wolverines to the 1997 national championship, the programs first in nearly 50 years, and also claimed five Big Ten Conference crowns.

Carr continued the legacy of success in the classroom and in the surrounding community. He and his late wife Laurie championed many fundraising initiatives including serving as the co-chairs of the campaign to build a new C.S. Mott Children's Hospital and Von Voigtlander Women's Hospital in the fall of 2011. They also endowed a scholarship awarded annually to a female student-athlete at UM.

He was in many ways a model coach, and his numerous achievements include:

- 1997 National Championship
- Five Big Ten Championships (1997, 1998, 2000, 2003, 2004)
- 13 Bowl game appearances (11 on New Year's Day)
- First coach in school history to win four straight bowl games
- Ranked in the Associated Press Top 25 for all but 14 of his 162 career games, including
 65 appearances in the Top 10
- 122-40 Overall record as Head Coach; the third-most among Michigan's head coaches
- 81-23 Record in Big Ten games; finished in the Top Three of the conference standings in each of his final 11 seasons
- National Coach of the Year (1997, 2007)
- Five National Award winners, 27 First-Team All-Americans and 76 All-Big Ten First Team accolades
- 61 NFL draft picks, including 10 first-round selections
- 124 Academic All-Big Ten honorees
- Initiated the Women's Football Academy and UM Men's Fantasy Football experience which donated all proceeds to the University of Michigan Comprehensive Cancer Center
- Served on the NCAA Rules Committee and was a member of the American Football Coaches Association Board of Trustees

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- National Football Foundation and College Football Hall of Fame (2011)
- Michigan Sports Hall of Fame (2011)

In recognition of his exceptional commitment to the development of the hundreds of young men, to the game of football, and to UM, we recommend that the Board of Regents formally designate the tunnel at Michigan Stadium as the Lloyd Carr Tunnel effective immediately.

Respectfully submitted,

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