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**ESTABLISHMENT OF THE JACQUELIN E. WASHINGTON SCHOLARSHIP FUND
(FUND FUNCTIONING AS AN ENDOWMENT)**

Recommendation

It is recommended that the Board of Governors establish the Jacquelin E. Washington Scholarship Fund (Fund Functioning as an Endowment).

This scholarship fund is established in honor of Jacquelin Washington's distinguished service as a member of the Board of Governors. This fund is intended to recognize scholastic achievement, to encourage continued progress and to provide assistance to students in financing their tuition and other educational expenses.

It is the intention of the president to transfer unrestricted gifts in the sum of \$25,000 from the President's Enhancement Fund of Wayne State University to create this fund functioning as an endowment.

Background

Jacquelin Washington retired from her position as president and chief executive officer of Planned Parenthood of Southeast Michigan in 1999, where she was responsible for the administration of six family planning clinics in Wayne, Oakland and Macomb counties. With a staff of 35, the organization provided health care services and sexuality education for 12,000 men, women and teens. Her previous positions include president and chief executive officer of the Pontiac Area Urban League, and human resource management and training for Bendix Corporation and Vixen Motor Company. Ms. Washington was the first African American elected to serve as president of the National Organization for Women-Legal Defense and Education Fund, which litigates and educates on issues related to discrimination against women in employment and education. For her advocacy on behalf of women, she was inducted into the Michigan Women's Hall of Fame in 1995.

Ms. Washington received a bachelor of arts degree from Fisk University in Nashville, Tennessee and a masters degree in social work from Wayne State University. She was elected on a state-wide ballot to the Wayne State University Board of Governors in 2000 and served through 2008, including two terms as board chair in 2005 and 2006. Ms. Washington is executive vice president of the

American Civil Liberties Union Fund of Michigan, and chair of the Central United Methodist Church Community Development Corporation. Co-founder and board member of the Sojourner Foundation, Ms. Washington also has been on the boards of Planned Parenthood Affiliates of Michigan; Alpha Kappa Alpha Foundation of Detroit; Central United Methodist Church; Michigan Metro Girl Scout Council; the Detroit Institute of Arts' Founders Society; and St. Joseph Mercy Hospital-Oakland.

Endowment Amount

\$25,000