# JOEL W. AGER, JR., Ph.D. ENDOWED MASTERS OF PUBLIC HEALTH STUDENT SUPPORT FUND

#### **Recommendation**

It is recommended that the Board of Governors approve the establishment of the Joel W. Ager, Jr., Ph.D. Endowed Masters of Public Health Student Support Fund in the School of Medicine Department of Family Medicine and Public Health Sciences.

This fund is established to support student education in the Department of Family Medicine and Public Health Sciences.

# **Background**

Dr. Joel W. Ager, Jr., was a graduate of Colgate University and a doctoral graduate of Syracuse University. He joined Wayne State University as an assistant professor of psychology in 1958, rising to the rank of full professor in 1975. During the 1970s, Dr. Ager taught graduate level courses in statistics and collaborated with colleagues in the School of Nursing to research access to family planning resources, population control and teenage pregnancy rates. During the 1980s, he began to work with the School of Medicine in the general area of reproductive health.

In 1994, Dr. Ager was instrumental in the launch of the Center for Healthcare Effectiveness Research in the School of Medicine, serving as its interim director from 1995 to 1997. He retired from teaching in 1998 but continued his research relationship with the university, joining the Department of Family Medicine and Public Health Sciences in 2006 and continuing his work as a part-time faculty member until his death. He was granted emeritus status in 2015. A consummate researcher, Dr. Ager was a Fellow in both the American Psychological Association and American Psychological Society. He served as a principal investigator for four National Institutes of Health grants on family planning services provision and as co-principal investigator on numerous other grants.

Throughout his career, he had a special regard for the interdisciplinary research performed by students in nursing and the Public Health Department. To recognize this interest, his family has established the fund with a gift of \$25,000 through the Trust of Joel W. Ager, Jr., Ph.D.

Endowment Amount \$25,000

# ESTABLISHMENT OF THE RICHARD H. AND IDA AUSTIN ENDOWED SCHOLARSHIP

#### Recommendation

It is recommended that the Board of Governors approve the establishment of the Richard H. and Ida Austin Endowed Scholarship in the Mike Ilitch School of Business..

This scholarship fund is established to recognize scholastic achievement, encourage continued progress and provide assistance to students in financing their education in the Mike Ilitch School of Business.

# **Background**

Richard H. Austin was born on Stout's Mountain, Alabama on May 6, 1913. Following the death of his father, at age 11 Austin and his family moved to Detroit. Austin graduated from Cass Technical High School and the Detroit Institute of Technology. He married Ida Dawson in 1939 and they had a daughter, Hazel.

In 1941, Austin became a Certified Public Accountant, the first African-American CPA in Michigan, and was a senior partner in the firm of Austin, Washington and Davenport. His public service career was launched as an elected delegate to Michigan's Constitutional Convention in 1961–62. In 1966, he was elected as Wayne County Auditor. In 1970, he was elected as Michigan's 39th Secretary of State, the nation's first African-American Secretary of State and the first African-American to hold a statewide elected office in Michigan. He won re-election five times. Austin defined the Secretary of State's office as the lead advocate in traffic safety matters and was recognized as a national pioneer and trailblazer in Michigan's election process, allowing people to register to vote when they renewed their driver's license and vehicle registration. Michigan's law served as a model and led to the enactment of the National Voter Registration Act. He served the community through active participation in the United Way Community Services, the NAACP, the YMCA, the YWCA and the Urban League. Richard H. Austin died on April 20, 2001.

With donor approval, the scholarship will be established with transfers representing the charitable gifts made to the Richard H. Austin Endowment for Accounting Excellence after December 24, 2006.

Endowment Amount \$74,051

# ESTABLISHMENT OF THE PHILIP L. DULMAGE MEMORIAL ENDOWMENT FUND IN THE DEPARTMENT OF PHILOSOPHY (FUND FUNCTIONING AS AN ENDOWMENT)

#### <u>Recommendation</u>

It is recommended that the Board of Governors approve the establishment of the Philip L. Dulmage Memorial Endowment Fund in the Department of Philosophy (Fund Functioning as an Endowment) in the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences.

This fund is established to promote education within the specialty of Analytical Philosophy in the Department of Philosophy at the Wayne State University College of Liberal Arts and sciences.

## <u>Background</u>

It is the intention of the Department of Philosophy to establish the Philip L. Dulmage Memorial Endowment Fund (Fund Functioning as an Endowment) to support the department's education initiatives within the specialty of Analytical Philosophy.

The fund is established with a transfer of \$150,000 in gifts from the Philip L. Dulmage Revocable Trust held in (Philosophy R&D) 220941.

Endowment Amount \$150,000

ESTABLISHMENT OF THE SHARADA AND ASHOK SARNAIK ENDOWMENT FOR

### Recommendation

It is recommended that the Board of Governors approve the establishment of the Sharada and Ashok Sarnaik endowment for the Helping Individuals Go Higher (H.I.G.H.) Program at Wayne State University.

THE HELPING INDIVIDUALS GO HIGHER (H.I.G.H.) PROGRAM

This endowment fund is established to support the H.I.G.H. Program in assisting at-risk students in overcoming personal and financial obstacles so that they may complete the academic requirements needed to graduate with their degrees from Wayne State University.

# **Background**

Dr. Sharada (Ingrid) Sarnaik and Dr. Ashok P. Sarnaik pay tribute to their parental doctrine of *noblesse oblige* by establishing this endowment. In a true sense, *noblesse oblige* is a social responsibility for all who have been blessed with the benefits of living in a free land and have received gifts of knowledge, opportunities and resources to help others to reach a similar status. In a spiritual sense this responsibility translates to the age-old adage *to whom much is given, much is expected*. Drs. Sarnaik are extremely grateful for all the opportunities they have received at the Children's Hospital of Michigan and Wayne State University during their professional and personal development and they express their gratitude by establishing the endowment.

Drs. Sharada and Ashok Sarnaik have created this endowment with a gift of \$25,000.

Endowment Amount \$25,000

ESTABLISHMENT OF THE ROBERT J. SCHOENFELD, M.D.

DERMATOLOGY EDUCATION FUND

(FUND FUNCTIONING AS AN ENDOWMENT) (REVISED)

#### Recommendation

It is recommended that the Board of Governors approve the establishment of the Robert J. Schoenfeld, M.D. Dermatology Education Fund (Fund Functioning as an Endowment) (Revised) in the Wayne State University School of Medicine.

The purpose of this fund is to promote education in the Department of Dermatology at the Wayne State University School of Medicine.

# **Background**

It is the intention of the Department of Dermatology to revise the existing Department of Dermatology Education Fund (Fund Functioning as an Endowment) and to create the Robert J. Schoenfeld, M.D. Dermatology Education Fund (Fund Functioning as an Endowment) (Revised) to support education initiatives in the department.

This endowment was funded with a transfer of \$25,000 in unrestricted gifts held in 221416-1205T, a new gift of \$100,000 from Dr. Franziska I. Schoenfeld and additional gifts from various donors. The purpose of this revision is to add the name of Robert J. Schoenfeld, M.D. to the fund in memory of this life.

Endowment Amount \$205,805.18