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**ESTABLISHMENT OF NICK AND CHRISTINE ANDON SCHOLARSHIP
(FUND FUNCTIONING AS AN ENDOWMENT)**

Recommendation

It is recommended that the Board of Governors establish the Nick and Christine Andon Scholarship (Fund Functioning as an Endowment).

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

Background

Nicolaki A. Andon was a 1970 graduate of the College of Engineering. He and his wife Christine left an estate gift to establish the Nick and Christine Andon Scholarship in the College of Engineering Department of Chemical Engineering.

The College of Engineering requests the use of the estate gift to establish a fund functioning as an endowment.

Endowment Amount

\$236,588.01

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**ESTABLISHMENT OF THE COLLEGE OF EDUCATION DEAN'S ENDOWED
SCHOLARSHIP (FUND FUNCTIONING AS AN ENDOWMENT)**

Recommendation

It is recommended that the Board of Governors establish the College of Education Dean's Endowed Scholarship (Fund Functioning as an Endowment).

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

Background

In the 1960s and 1970s, student loan funds were very popular among donors wishing to provide financial support to college students. During that time, the interest rates assessed by the university, and in some cases dictated by the donors themselves, were relatively low. As the loan funds were borrowed and repaid, additional loans could continue to provide financial assistance to students in need, in perpetuity.

At present, the College of Education has seven loan funds that it wishes to dissolve because they are underutilized and/or have not been utilized at all in recent years. This situation exists, in part, because the interest rates and terms for market driven loans in today's economic environment are more preferable than those the university can offer independently, as it had in the past.

The College of Education proposes to convert these unused and underutilized loan funds into an endowed scholarship. This would utilize these otherwise idle funds to stem the increasing debt of graduating students while simultaneously creating scholarship dollars that can be provided to education students annually, in perpetuity.

The College of Education wishes to convert the following loan funds to establish this, the College of Education Dean's Endowed Scholarship (Fund Functioning as an Endowment) with \$36,852 in the following loan funds: Amelia D. Young Memorial Loan Fund, Dorothy Altman Memorial Student Loan Fund, College of Education Memorial Student Loan Fund, May DeManigold Memorial Loan Fund, Virginia W. Menge Memorial Student Loan Fund, Hettie Snyder Bristol Student Loan Fund, and Leslie and Ellen Whale Scholarship Loan Fund. The documentation available for each of these funds allows for such change in purpose.

Endowment Amount

\$36,852

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**ESTABLISHMENT OF THE LARRY A. EDWARDS AND ANNE EDWARDS
ENDOWED SCHOLARSHIP**

Recommendation

It is recommended that the Board of Governors establish the Larry A. Edwards and Anne Edwards Endowed Scholarship.

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

Background

The endowed scholarship is established with a gift of \$25,000 from Larry and Anne Edwards.

Endowment Amount

\$25,000

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**ESTABLISHMENT OF THE LUTHER L. FRY, M.D., ENDOWED LECTURESHIP
IN CATARACT SURGERY**

Recommendation

It is recommended that the Board of Governors establish the Luther L. Fry, M.D., Endowed Lectureship in Cataract Surgery.

Background

Luther L. Fry, M.D., is a 1974 resident alumnus of the Kresge Eye Institute in the Wayne State University School of Medicine Department of Ophthalmology. A nationally renowned cataract surgeon who has been at the forefront of new surgical techniques and a passionate supporter of the Kresge Eye Institute, Dr. Fry is establishing this lectureship to support gaining new insights into cataract surgery from the country's best cataract surgeons.

The endowment is established with a gift of \$100,000 from Dr. Fry.

Endowment Amount

\$100,000

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ESTABLISHMENT OF THE BARBARA KLARMAN ENDOWED SCHOLARSHIP

Recommendation

It is recommended that the Board of Governors establish the Barbara Klarman Endowed Scholarship.

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

Background

Barbara Klarman, J.D. '64, has been a long-standing supporter and advisor to Wayne State University faculty, administration and staff. Her commitment to the university in numerous ways has been highly valuable to the advancement of many programs across campus.

The endowed scholarship is established with a gift of \$25,000 from Barbara Klarman.

Endowment Amount

\$25,000

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ESTABLISHMENT OF THE DR. CHUAN-PU LEE ENDOWED STUDENT TRAVEL FUND

Recommendation

It is recommended that the Board of Governors establish the Dr. Chuan-Pu Lee Endowed Student Travel Fund.

This fund is established to provide M.D. and Ph.D. students in the Wayne State University School of Medicine the opportunity to enhance their education and research experience through travel to a national or international meeting where they are making a peer-reviewed research presentation.

Background

Chuan-Pu "C.P." Lee, Ph.D., Distinguished Professor of Biochemistry at the Wayne State University School of Medicine, is an internationally respected scientist for her knowledge of bioenergetics—the study of how energy is produced in the body.

Dr. Lee has made major contributions to our understanding of how the powerhouse of the cell converts food and oxygen into usable chemical form. Her work has led to explanations of how energy-producing mechanisms are related to diseases, such as Reye's Syndrome, brain injury, and some neuromuscular diseases. Her contributions to biochemistry and cell biology have elicited wide international recognition. Dr. Lee has been invited to numerous national and international conferences as a speaker and/or chairperson, and she has authored more than 200 publications.

Dr. Lee is an outstanding academic leader. At Wayne State University, she was elected to the Academy of Scholars in 1979 and served twice as president, in 1983-84 and 1987-88. Dr. Lee received the Board of Governors Recognition Award in 1980; the Distinguished Graduate Faculty Award in 1982; the Board of Governors Distinguished Graduate Faculty Fellowship Award in 1986-1988; the School of Medicine Lawrence Weiner Award in 1992; and the College Teaching Award in 1998. Dr. Lee has been appointed Distinguished Professor of Biochemistry at Wayne State University since 1990.

The endowed student travel fund is established with a gift of \$50,000 from Dr. Chuan-Pu Lee.

Endowment Amount

\$50,000

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**ESTABLISHMENT OF THE LENK FAMILY CHEMISTRY SUPPORT FUND
(FUND FUNCTIONING AS AN ENDOWMENT)**

Recommendation

It is recommended that the Board of Governors establish the Lenk Family Chemistry Support Fund (Fund Functioning as an Endowment).

The purpose of this fund is to support research and operations in the Department of Chemistry at Wayne State University College of Liberal Arts and Sciences.

Background

Wayne State University has received an estate gift from alumnus Carl Lenk through the Lenk Family Trust. Prior to his passing, Carl Lenk expressed to his son, Stephen Lenk, that he wished to direct half of this gift to the Department of Chemistry. This desire was not documented, but President M. Roy Wilson has agreed to honor the verbal request and use half of the gift to establish this fund functioning as an endowment.

The endowed chemistry support fund is established with a gift of \$50,000 from the estate of Carl Lenk.

Endowment Amount

\$50,000

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**ESTABLISHMENT OF THE HONORABLE DANIEL S. AND SARAH R. OPPERMAN
ENDOWED SCHOLARSHIP**

Recommendation

It is recommended that the Board of Governors establish The Honorable Daniel S. and Sarah R. Opperman Endowed Scholarship.

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

Background

Judge Daniel S. Opperman has served as a bankruptcy judge in Flint and Bay City for the U.S. Bankruptcy Court for the Eastern District of Michigan since 2006, and as a judge on the Bankruptcy Appellate Panel for the Sixth Circuit since 2014. Prior to taking the bench, he practiced with Braun Kendrick Finkbeiner, PLC, concentrating in litigation, bankruptcy, and real estate. Judge Opperman is a magna cum laude graduate of the Wayne State University Law School, where he was a member of the *Wayne Law Review* and a Note and Comment editor from 1980 to 1981.

In appreciation of the hard work and dedication exhibited by the law students who have served tirelessly as clerks in the courts, the Oppermans are establishing this scholarship to benefit a student who has worked as a judicial clerk.

The endowed scholarship is established with a gift of \$25,000 from The Honorable Daniel S. and Sarah R. Opperman.

Endowment Amount

\$25,000

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ESTABLISHMENT OF THE MARION K. RINGE ENDOWED SCHOLARSHIP

Recommendation

It is recommended that the Board of Governors establish the Marion K. Ringe Endowed Scholarship.

This scholarship fund is established to recognize scholastic achievement, encourage continued progress and provide assistance to students in financing their education in the Wayne State University College of Liberal Arts and Sciences Department of English.

Background

Marion Ringe, '70 B.A., '77 M.A., writes:

A native of Detroit, Michigan, I was born at Harper Hospital to Norman and Gladys Ringe (rhymes with hinge) and grew up on the northwest side. I attended Parker Elementary, Mackenzie High School for two years and Redford High School, from which I graduated magna cum laude. In three generations, I am the sixth member of my family, including my brothers Laurence and Stephen, to graduate from Wayne State University.

As an undergraduate, I worked as a student assistant at Alumni House. My career path was set when I was hired into my first full time job in 1969 as secretary to Dr. Robert Hillcoat, the assistant director of the Wayne State Fund, when that office, under the direction of Dr. Paul Andrews, relocated to Alumni House. From Dr. Hillcoat I learned many skills in the art and science of fundraising, which led to a fulfilling career in the field of nonprofit institutional development. I finished my undergraduate work and earned my master's degree while working full time and taking classes part time.

After working for two years with the Wayne State Fund, a position opened in the advancement office at Merrill-Palmer Institute, which I held for seven years. I then moved to the Detroit Institute of Arts for two years, growing the membership rolls. I was recruited to Harper Hospital/Detroit Medical Center in 1980 and was there for 24 years, assisting in raising funds for the hospitals, Kresge Eye Institute, the Magnetic Resonance Imaging Center and other major projects. In 2004, a writing position opened in the Division of Development and Alumni Affairs at Wayne State University, and I "came home" to finish out a career of 45 years – and counting – that has taken place within one square mile in the city of Detroit.

Written communication is an integral part of fundraising. While at the Detroit Institute of Arts, I wrote a direct mail package that brought in 1,100 memberships in one month. The

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package was published in *A Treasury of Successful Appeal Letters* by the national Public Service Materials Center. At the Detroit Medical Center, I edited several fundraising magazines. After I had written an article about the research of one of the doctors, he called me some time later to let me know one of his patients had given him a sizeable contribution for his research because she was so impressed with what she had read about him in that article. In 1999, I survived breast cancer and later had the opportunity to write a chapter about the importance of patients volunteering for cancer research as I had participated in several studies during and after treatment with chemotherapy and radiation. The chapter appeared in the national publication *The Breast Cancer Book of Strength and Courage*. Of the 46 chapters in the book, I was the only writer from Michigan and my chapter was the only one on research.

I thank my English professors for instilling in me the discipline and skills of study, research and writing that have served me well throughout what I consider a successful career, even though I was never a stellar student while in college. That is the reason I have created a scholarship to help average undergraduate students in financial need. I encourage them with the thought that good writing can have an impact far beyond ink on paper or text on a screen, and it is a skill that can help provide a meaningful and fulfilling life in whatever field they choose to work.

The scholarship is established to commemorate the 50th anniversary of my acceptance as a student at Wayne State University.

The endowed scholarship is established with a gift of \$25,000 from Marion K. Ringe.

Endowment Amount

\$25,000

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**ESTABLISHMENT OF THE WERNER U. SPITZ, M.D., ENDOWED SCHOLARSHIP
IN PATHOLOGY**

Recommendation

It is recommended that the Board of Governors establish the Werner U. Spitz, M.D., Endowed Scholarship in Pathology.

This scholarship fund is established to recognize scholastic achievement, encourage continued progress and provide assistance to students in financing their education in the Wayne State University School of Medicine.

Background

Dr. Spitz is an eminent pathologist and is widely recognized as an expert in forensic medicine worldwide. He has practiced forensic pathology for over fifty years and is certified by the American Board of Pathology in Anatomic and Forensic Pathology. Dr. Spitz has appointments as Professor of Pathology, Wayne State University School of Medicine, and Adjunct Professor of Toxicology, University of Windsor, Ontario, Canada. He has served as Deputy Chief Medical Examiner for the State of Maryland and retired as Chief Medical Examiner for Wayne and Macomb counties in Michigan. Dr. Spitz currently continues to work as a consultant in his field.

Dr. Spitz received his medical training at the Geneva University School of Medicine in Switzerland and the Hebrew University Hadassa Medical School in Jerusalem, Israel, from which he obtained an M.D. degree in 1953. He is the author of 96 scientific publications and author and editor of the well-known textbook, *Medicolegal Investigation of Death*, now in its fourth edition. Dr. Spitz served on Vice President Nelson Rockefeller's committee investigating the assassination of President John F. Kennedy, and he is a member of the House Committee on Assassinations of the U.S. Congress, which investigated the assassinations of John F. Kennedy and Martin Luther King, Jr. He has testified as an expert witness in high-visibility cases in the United States and abroad. In 1997, Dr. Spitz received the Dean's Award for Service to the Medicolegal Community from the Wayne State University School of Medicine. Dr. Spitz's two sons, Jonathan and Daniel, are alumni of the Wayne State University School of Medicine.

The endowed scholarship is established with a transfer from the dissolved Werner U. Spitz, M.D. Endowed Research Fund in Pathology.

Endowment Amount

\$213,201.84

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ESTABLISHMENT OF THE JOEL L. YOUNG, M.D., ENDOWED SUPPORT FUND

Recommendation

It is recommended that the Board of Governors establish the Joel L. Young, M.D., Endowed Support Fund.

Funds will be used at the discretion of the chair of the Wayne State University School of Medicine Department of Psychiatry and Behavioral Medicine to support future psychiatrists, or for activities that deepen our understanding of mental illness and further best practices in treatment and care for those afflicted with mental illness and their families.

Background

Joel L. Young, M.D., is a 1989 graduate of the Wayne State University School of Medicine. Dr. Young completed his psychiatric training at the University of Michigan. In 1993, he founded the Rochester Center for Behavioral Medicine, a multidisciplinary treatment and clinical trials facility in Rochester Hills, Michigan. Dr Young established this fund to support the research and training vision of David Rosenberg, M.D., chairman of the Wayne State University School of Medicine Department of Psychiatry and Behavioral Medicine.

The endowed support fund is established with a commitment of \$25,000 from Joel L. Young, M.D.

Endowment Amount

\$25,000