

**Submitted by: Susan Burns, Vice President
Development and Alumni Affairs
President, Wayne State University Foundation**

**ESTABLISHMENT OF THE UZOMA AZUH ENDOWED MEMORIAL
RESEARCH SCHOLARSHIP IN CHEMISTRY**

Recommendation

It is recommended that the Board of Governors approve the establishment of the Uzoma Azuh Endowed Memorial Research Scholarship in Chemistry in the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences.

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

Background

Uzoma Azuh earned a bachelor of science in chemistry from Wayne State University in 2004. He was active in undergraduate research and graduated magna cum laude. In his second year of medical school at Wayne State, Azuh was diagnosed with acute myeloid leukemia. Azuh worked tirelessly to promote the National Bone Marrow Registry to support others suffering from leukemia. He lost his battle with cancer on August 12, 2006 at the age of 23.

His professor, Dr. Christy Chow, has created this scholarship with a gift of \$50,000 to celebrate Uzo's memory and to encourage future students to pursue undergraduate research with as much enthusiasm and dedication as Uzo did.

Endowment Amount

\$50,000

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**ESTABLISHMENT OF THE MARCELINO AND LOUISE CANO
ENDOWED SCHOLARSHIP**

Recommendation

It is recommended that the Board of Governors approve the establishment of the Marcelino and Louise Cano Endowed Scholarship at Wayne State University.

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

Background

Marcelino Cano was born in Spain in 1931 and, at the age of 15, came to the United States with his mother to join his father in New York City. Marcelino served in Korea with the U.S. Army. He returned to New York in 1953 and met Louise Tieso, whom he married in 1955. Together they had three children.

Maria Luisa Tieso was born in Puerto Rico in 1936. Upon the death of her maternal grandmother when Louise was 12, she came to New York City with a maternal uncle and his wife. She looked after her younger cousins and attended school, where she developed a love of art and fashion design. She graduated high school but was not permitted to attend college. However, Louise pursued her love of creating and appreciating art throughout her life until her death in 2013.

Together, Marcelino and Louise instilled in their three daughters a love of learning and the importance of education, persistence and grit. With this scholarship, the donors, Professors Annmarie Cano and Lee H. Wurm, honor the memory of these two individuals, who came to the United States to create a better life for themselves. It is their hope that the scholarship will help develop opportunities for students.

Endowment Amount

\$30,000

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**ESTABLISHMENT OF THE GINO AND LUCIANA DiCLEMENTE
ENDOWED SCHOLARSHIP**

Recommendation

It is recommended that the Board of Governors approve the establishment of the Gino and Luciana DiClemente Endowed Scholarship in the College of Engineering.

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

Gino DiClemente is one of the founders and principals of DiClemente Siegel Design Inc. (DSD), one of the most respected full-service mechanical and electrical engineering design firms in southeast Michigan. In 1967, Mr. DiClemente formed DiClemente Engineering Inc., a consulting mechanical and electrical engineering company, whose main clients were General Motors and Ford Motor Company. In 1969, the company merged with Mr. Ed Siegel's firm, and in 1996 DiClemente Siegel purchased Gunnar Birkerts Associates architectural services, resulting in a comprehensive engineering and architecture services firm. That year Ford Motor Company recognized DiClemente Siegel as a preferred supplier with Q1 status. The company assumed its current name in 1997 and received ISO 9001 Registration two years later. In 2000, DSD purchased Steele Engineering Associates to add more mechanical and electrical engineering capability to its staff.

The scholarship is established with a gift of \$100,000 from Mrs. and Mrs. Gino DiClemente.

Endowment Amount

\$100,000

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**ESTABLISHMENT OF THE PROFESSOR STEVEN SINGLETON ENDOWED SCHOLARSHIP
(FUND FUNCTIONING AS AN ENDOWMENT)
IN THE COLLEGE OF EDUCATION DIVISION OF KINESIOLOGY,
HEALTH AND SPORTS STUDIES**

Recommendation

It is recommended that the Board of Governors approve the establishment of the Professor Steven Singleton Endowed Scholarship (Fund functioning as an Endowment) in the College of Education Division of Kinesiology, Health and Sports Studies.

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

Background

Professor Steven Singleton earned a bachelor of arts and a master of arts in sociology from Western Michigan University and a master of public health in health behavior and health education from the University of Michigan. He became a highly praised professor on the subjects of physical and mental health, nutrition, psychology and substance abuse while teaching at Wayne State University, Aquinas College, the University of Michigan-Dearborn and Henry Ford Community College. Professor Singleton was a brilliant, kind-hearted, energetic and expressive person who always made a positive impression on everyone he met. He enjoyed gardening and mountain hiking and was an avid sports fan. It was one of Professor Singleton's wishes to create a scholarship for students struggling with student debt.

Mr. John Chahine and the estate of Professor Steven Singleton have created this scholarship with a gift of \$50,000.

Endowment Amount
\$50,000