

THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN
REGENTS COMMUNICATION

APPROVED BY THE REGENTS ON

ACTION REQUEST

JUN 17 2004

Subject: Building Naming

Action

Requested: Authorization to Name the Proposed New Wing of the Museum of Art in honor of Maxine and Stuart Frankel and the Frankel Family

Background:


The Museum of Art has received a gift of \$10 million from the Maxine and Stuart Frankel Foundation in support of a new addition to the Museum. The expansion will be located on the north side of Alumni Memorial Hall and serve as a gateway to the Diag and central campus. The addition will house new galleries, an auditorium, classrooms, object study rooms, collections storage space, administrative offices and visitor amenities.

Maxine and Stuart Frankel, graduates of the University of Michigan (AB 1966 and BBA 1961, respectively), are internationally recognized art collectors and philanthropists. The couple's renowned private collection consists of important works by seminal modern and contemporary artists, and their collection of contemporary ceramic works is among the most important in the world.

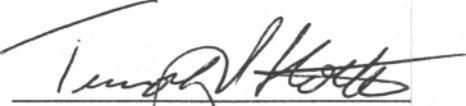
Maxine Frankel sits on the boards of several non-profit and charitable organizations, including the Chinati Foundation in Marfa, Texas, established by minimalist artist Donald Judd; Independent Curators International; the board and executive committee of Children's Hospital of Michigan; the national advisory boards for Storm King Art Center in Mountainville, New York and the University of Michigan Museum of Art; the University of Michigan President's Advisory Group; and chairs the board of governors for the Cranbrook Academy of Art and the Cranbrook Art Museum. Stuart Frankel is president of the Troy, Michigan-based Stuart Frankel Development Company, a real estate development firm. The entire Frankel family has long supported the University of Michigan.

In recognition of this significant commitment from the Maxine and Stuart Frankel Foundation, which will support the Museum of Art building project, we recommend that the Regents formally designate the proposed new wing of the Museum of Art the Maxine and Stuart Frankel and the Frankel Family Wing.

Respectfully submitted,



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