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Office of the President September 11, 2007

Members, Board of Trustees:

RENOVATION OF THE THOMAS HUNT MORGAN BIOLOGICAL SCIENCES BUILDING

<u>Recommendation</u>: that the Board of Trustees approve the renovation of the Thomas Hunt Morgan Biological Sciences Building including upgrade of the fume hoods and teaching and research labs.

Background: This project will upgrade the fume hood exhaust and air supply systems within the Thomas Hunt Morgan Biological Sciences Building. This upgrade is necessary to minimize risks to human health and safety and to meet the needs of contemporary research and biology instruction. Additionally, the university will perform needed renovations and upgrades of teaching and research labs to accommodate eight new biology faculty members. Contingent upon approval by the Board of Trustees, the university will request that the Council on Postsecondary Education and the Capital Projects and Bond Oversight Committee allow the university to use existing legislative authority for renovation of the fume hood system to include the general teaching and research lab renovations. The cost will not exceed the authorized scope of \$3,188,000. The project will be funded with university reserves.

Action taken:	☑ Approved	☐ Disapproved	☐ Other	