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Office of the President December 15, 2020

Members, Board of Trustees:

## TRANSFER OF THE CENTER FOR MUSCLE BIOLOGY: COLLEGE OF HEALTH SCIENCES

<u>Recommendation</u>: that the Board of Trustees approve the transfer of the Center for Muscle Biology from the College of Medicine to the College of Health Sciences, effective January 1, 2021.

<u>Background</u>: The Center for Muscle Biology was formally established in the College of Medicine in June 2008 to support and integrate basic, clinical and translational research on muscle throughout the university. Since that time, infrastructure, academic support and faculty leadership and membership have shifted to the College of Health Sciences. The proposed transfer will create formal alignment of the Center's mission and goals with the College of Health Sciences' major research focus of interventions and rehabilitation to improve musculoskeletal health. This alignment will put the program on equal footing with other programs in the college by increasing integration, availability of resources and collaborative partnerships. The disposition of faculty, staff and resources will not be impacted as the Center's physical and financial resource support is already predominantly provided by the College of Health Sciences. The Center's current governance structure, leadership and faculty involvement will remain the same under the proposed change in academic home.

The proposed transfer has been approved by the Center for Muscle Biology faculty of record, the College of Health Sciences Faculty Council and the College of Medicine Faculty Council; reviewed and recommended by the Senate Academic Organization and Structure Committee and the Senate Council; and endorsed by the University Senate. The provost of the university supports this recommendation.