

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

**ESTABLISHMENT OF THE HORTENSE AND CHERYL ANNE HARVEY ENDOWED
HILBERRY FELLOWSHIP SUPPORT FUND**

Recommendation

It is recommended that the Board of Governors establish the Hortense and Cheryl Anne Harvey Endowed Hilberry Fellowship Support Fund.

This scholarship fund is established to recognize excellence and achievement as demonstrated by graduate students in the area of theatre and to encourage the continued progress of members of the Hilberry Repertory Company at Wayne State University.

Background

Cheryl Anne Harvey graduated from the Wayne State College of Education in 1976. She is now retired from Detroit Public Schools. She established this fund with a gift of \$10,000.

Endowment Amount

\$10,000*

*grandfathered

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**ESTABLISHMENT OF THE KIENBAUM, OPPERWALL, HARDY & PELTON, PLC,
ENDOWED SCHOLARSHIP**

Recommendation

It is recommended that the Board of Governors establish the Kienbaum, Opperwall, Hardy & Pelton, PLC, Endowed Scholarship.

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

Background

Formed in 1997, the firm Kienbaum, Opperwall, Hardy, & Pelton, PLC is based in Birmingham, Michigan. The partners specialize in labor and employment law, drawing on the individual talents and wide-ranging experiences of the attorneys. This fund was established by Thomas G. Kienbaum, a 1968 graduate of the Law School, to benefit second- and third-year law students.

Endowment Amount

\$50,000

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**ESTABLISHMENT OF THE TAYLOR A. LEWIS, M.D. AND CLEVELAND HURST III
ENDOWED SCHOLARSHIP**

Recommendation

It is recommended that the Board of Governors establish the Taylor A. Lewis, M.D. and Cleveland Hurst III Endowed Scholarship.

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

Background

Taylor A. Lewis, M.D. and Cleveland Hurst III, both Wayne State alumni, shared a bond of friendship that even death could not end. Mr. Hurst passed away Feb. 4, 2005, following a year-long illness. He was assistant principal of Pershing High School in Detroit at the time of his death.

Dr. Lewis graduated from the Wayne State University School of Medicine in 1978, and Mr. Hurst received a Master of Arts in Education in 1971. Their friendship began in 1966 through a hospital bowling league. They lost touch several times during the years that followed, but always seemed to reconnect at an important time in each other's lives. The last such time, around 1980, was the beginning of 25 years of constant friendship. Dr. Lewis and his friend joined other alumni and friends in managing and administering the WSU Black Medical Association Scholarship Fund, which later grew to be an endowment. Mr. Hurst also followed Dr. Lewis onto the Board of Directors of the Wayne State University Alumni Association, where both men rose to leadership positions on the Executive Committee, and which Dr. Lewis eventually led as president.

United by their friendship, Dr. Lewis and Mr. Hurst shared a love of world travel, faithfulness to family and friends, and an unswerving commitment to "give back." Through their determination and hard work, they achieved a level of success that enabled them to extend their support to others, never forgetting their obligation to lend a hand to assist those who would come after them.

Endowment Amount

\$25,000

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**ESTABLISHMENT OF THE CALVIN MILLER, JR. ENDOWED
MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP**

Recommendation

It is recommended that the Board of Governors establish the Calvin Miller, Jr. Endowed Memorial Scholarship.

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

Background

Jacqueline B. Miller, Ed.D., a former principal and a Wayne State University College of Education employee, established this endowed scholarship in memory of her late husband, Calvin Miller, Jr. Mr. Miller was the eldest of a family of five brothers. He began his professional career as a physical education teacher in the Detroit Public schools in 1968. He went on to become a guidance department head in 1971, and eventually served 12 years as an assistant principal at Mackenzie and Cody high schools before his death in 1998. Throughout his educational career, Mr. Miller was recognized numerous times by students and staff as an outstanding committed leader and role model. He was dedicated to the development and improvement of opportunities for the youth of Detroit.

Endowment Amount

\$10,000*

*grandfathered

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**ESTABLISHMENT OF THE RUTH AND RALPH MILLER ENDOWED HILBERRY
THEATRE FELLOWSHIP SUPPORT FUND**

Recommendation

It is recommended that the Board of Governors establish the Ruth and Ralph Miller Endowed Hilberry Fellowship Support Fund.

This endowed fund is established to recognize excellence and achievement as demonstrated by graduate students in the area of theatre and to encourage the continued progress of members of the Hilberry Repertory Company at Wayne State University.

Background

Ruth Miller graduated from the College of Fine, Performing and Communication Arts in 1969. She and her husband Ralph have given \$10,000 to establish this fellowship support fund.

Endowment Amount

\$10,000*

*grandfathered

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ESTABLISHMENT OF THE THOMAS H. OEHMKE ENDOWED SCHOLARSHIP

Recommendation

It is recommended that the Board of Governors establish the Thomas H. Oehmke Endowed Scholarship.

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

Background

Thomas H. Oehmke earned a Ph.B. from Wayne State University's Monteith College, as well as a certificate to teach secondary social studies in 1969. After graduating, he taught elementary school in Detroit and high school in the Upper Peninsula. Mr. Oehmke returned to school and received a J.D. from Wayne State University Law School in 1973. During more than 33 years as a litigator, Mr. Oehmke represented clients in more than twelve landmark cases, including a hallmark civil case argued before the U.S. Supreme Court (*Burger King v. Rudzewicz*). Mr. Oehmke wrote the multi-volume treatise *Commercial Arbitration 3rd* (Thomson-West) and is the author and editor of numerous law books, legal monographs and articles, including four volumes of *Williston on Contracts 4th*. As a loyal and generous alumnus, Mr. Oehmke recognizes the importance of private support to the success of Michigan colleges and universities. By creating this endowment, Mr. Oehmke urges colleagues to join him in helping to ensure the accessibility of a law school education to diligent students of modest means who pursue their studies at WSU Law School.

Endowment Amount

\$25,000

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**ESTABLISHMENT OF THE ERIN T. M. PATTON ENDOWED
MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP**

Recommendation

It is recommended that the Board of Governors establish the Erin T. M. Patton Endowed Memorial Scholarship.

This endowed fund will provide financial assistance to doctoral students in the School of Medicine.

Background

Tammy and Clifford Patton both attended Wayne State University. Their daughter, Erin, was born with severe cardiac complications. The Pattons took her to Children's Hospital of Michigan, where she received excellent and compassionate care, especially from the residents. Unfortunately, Erin Patton did not recover from her illness. The Pattons, including their four surviving children, created this endowed scholarship fund to ensure that future physicians will be well-trained to care for babies such as Erin.

Endowment Amount

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ESTABLISHMENT OF THE MAVIS M. SPENCER ENDOWED FUND FOR SCHOLARS

Recommendation

It is recommended that the Board of Governors establish the Mavis M. Spencer Endowed Fund for Scholars.

This endowed fund will provide financial assistance to doctoral students in the School of Social Work.

Background

Mavis M. Spencer, associate professor emerita, joined the faculty at the School of Social Work in 1968. She served for 14 years in the group work concentration, where her colleagues asked her to lead the effort to infuse minority content into the curriculum. Early in her academic career, Dr. Spencer helped establish the WSU Student Chapter of the National Association of Black Social Workers and the Organization of Latina/o Social Workers. Dean Leon Chestang asked her to serve as the first coordinator of field education at the school, a position she held for 23 years. Dr. Spencer retired in 2005, after serving a total of 37 years on the faculty. Her academic career of teaching and scholarship anchored Mavis Spencer's life-long vocation of community service with many organizations, including the Catholic Youth Organization, the Mayor's Committee on Aging, the Detroit Housing Task Force, the Wesley Foundation, St. Peter Claver Community House, the Federation of Girls Homes and Wayne County Community College. Mavis Spencer also significantly contributed to the cultural enrichment of the metropolitan Detroit area through her work and years of leadership with the Caribbean Cultural and Carnival Organization and the New Detroit Cultural Exchange Network. This endowed scholarship fund is being established by the friends and family of Mavis M. Spencer to acknowledge her many contributions to Wayne State University and the surrounding community.

Endowment Amount

\$25,000