

THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN
REGENTS COMMUNICATION

ACTION REQUEST

Approved by the Regents

March 20, 2008

Subject: Recommendation for Honorary Degrees

Action Requested: Approval of Recommendations

The Committee on Honorary Degrees has recommended that honorary degrees be awarded to the following individuals:

Frances Elizabeth Allen, Computer Scientists/Turing Award Winner, *Doctor of Science*

James Abbott, Athlete, *Doctor of Laws*

Jocelyn Bell Burnell, Astronomer/Physicist, *Doctor of Science*


William Ernest Harwell, Journalist/Broadcaster, *Doctor of Humane Letters*

Jack O'Brien, Theatre Director, *Doctor of Fine Arts*

All of these individuals, in addition to **Robert Woodruff** (approved September 2007), and **Njabulo Ndebele** (approved February 2008), will receive their honorary degrees at Spring 2008 Commencement. *James Abbott* will be awarded his honorary degree at the Flint Campus.

We now submit these recommendations for your approval.

Respectfully submitted:


Mary Sue Coleman
President

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