The University of Michigan Regents' Communication

ITEM FOR INFORMATION

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Subject: Michigan Student Assembly Report

Attached is the December update on the projects and activities of the Michigan Student Assembly.

Respectfully Submitted,

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Regents' Report December, 2007

President Coleman, Regents, and Executive Officers,

Thank you for the time and opportunity you have given us to share our work with you. Below are some of the highlights of MSA's activities this past month.

Housing Law – Last month, in coordination with city council and local landlords, MSA reached an agreement on mutually accepted changes to be made to the current Later Lease Signing Ordinance (as was reported earlier). Council has communicated to us that these changes should be going up for first reads on January 7th and second reads and vote on January 22nd. In the meantime, MSA will be doing what it can to educate students on the matter.

Safer Street Lighting – MSA worked with City Council last year to identify 3 key student neighborhoods that the city evaluated to be poorly lit and in which students often feel unsafe walking home through. We would like to put more street lighting in these areas but the current cost of the entire project is hovering around \$20,000. While MSA and the city can dedicated some funds to this project, they cannot afford it on their own. We are currently looking for sources within the University and donors who would be willing to help us in this endeavor. Any help on this matter would be greatly appreciated.

Fall Elections – MSA held its fall elections on the week of November 26th-30th. Our fall elections result in half of our voting assembly turning over. For us, this means that we will have a chance to thank our outgoing members for all of their hard work and a chance to welcome plenty of fresh faces dedicated to working on student issues.

Finals and Wrap-Up—MSA's final meeting for the fall semester is scheduled for December 4th. At that meeting and afterwards, our members will be wrapping up their work for this semester and start preparing to pass the torch or plan for next semester. We are excited to see what kind of events our people will be planning for the following year.