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BOARD OF TRUSTEES
MICHIGAN STATE UNIVERSITY

MEMORANDUM

To: Board of Trustees of Michigan State University

From: Trustee Committee on Audit, Risk and Compliance

Subject: State Certification – Release of Final Investigation Report

RECOMMENDATION

The Trustee Committee on Audit, Risk and Compliance recommends that the Board of Trustees approve the release of Honigman’s final investigation report regarding the University’s 2021 certification to the State of Michigan on Title IX reports involving employees.

RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustees of Michigan State University hereby approves the release of Honigman’s final investigation report regarding the University’s 2021 certification to the State of Michigan on Title IX reports involving employees.

BACKGROUND

Michigan law requires the University to submit a certification that its President and a member of the Board of Trustees of Michigan State University have reviewed all Title IX reports involving the alleged sexual misconduct of University employees for an applicable fiscal year. The Board became aware of concerns regarding the reliability of the University’s prior 2021 Title IX certification to the State of Michigan. In response to these concerns and to address concerns raised by the Board about the certification process generally, the Board retained Honigman LLP to investigate the 2021 certification, provide guidance to the Board in reviewing Title IX reports, identify shortfalls in the process, and make recommendations to improve the process. In the interests of transparency, the Board will release Honigman’s final investigation report upon its completion.

cc: Board of Trustees, S. Stanley, T. Woodruff, N. Beauchamp, K. Wilbur, B. Quinn, M. Zeig, M. Woo, L. Frace