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# ACTION UNDER PRESIDENT'S AUTHORITY – AMENDMENT OF THE BUDGET FOR CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS AND THE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM FOR UNIVERSITY RESIDENCE, LOS ANGELES CAMPUS

It is recommended that:

### **Pursuant to Standing Order 100.4(q)**

(1) The President amend the 2008-09 Budget for Capital Improvements and the Capital Improvement Program to include the following changes:

Los Angeles:

<u>University Residence</u> -- \$68,800 to be funded from University

funds.

A Key to abbreviations and the project description are attached.

(Attachments)

## KEY Capital Improvement Program Abbreviations

S	Studies
P	Preliminary Planning
W	Working Drawings
C	Construction
E	Equipment
-	State (no abbreviation)
F	Federal Funds
G	Gifts
HR	Hospital Reserve Funds
I	California Institutes for Science and Innovation
LB	Bank Loans or Bonds (External Financing includes Garamendi, Bonds, StandBy, Interim and Bank Loans)
LR	Regents' Loans (Internal Loans)
N	Reserves other than University Registration Fee (Housing and Parking Reserves)
R	University Registration Fee Reserves
U	Regents' Appropriations (President's Funds, Educational Fund)
X	Campus Funds
CCCI	California Construction Cost Index
EPI	Equipment Price Index

2008-09 Budget for Capital Improvements and Capital Improvement Program Scheduled for Regents' Allocation, Loans, Income Reserves, University Registration Fee Reserves, Gift Funds, and Miscellaneous Funds

Campus and Project Title Proposed (Total Cost) 2008-09

Los Angeles
University Residence

\$68,800

#### **DESCRIPTION**

The Los Angeles campus is requesting approval of \$68,800 for additional security upgrades in the University Residence.

At the March 2006 meeting, the President notified the Committee on Grounds and Buildings of the changes to Delegations of Authority for approval of capital projects for the Chancellors' residences and offices. The approved changes were: 1) projects totaling \$25,000 to \$5,000,000 will require Presidential approval, and 2) projects over \$5,000,000 will require Regental approval.

## Background

University of California policy requires that a campus Chancellor reside in University-designated housing on or near the campus to carry out administrative, ceremonial, and development-related duties. The Los Angeles campus University Residence (10,998 gsf) was constructed in 1930. This two-story building, plus a partial basement, sits on approximately ten acres on the northern edge of the campus at 10570 Sunset Boulevard. Given the age of the building (now more than 75 years), a number of maintenance and renovation/renewal projects have been completed over the years to ensure the building's structural integrity, the modernization and functionality of its infrastructure, and the safe condition of its grounds and parking areas.

In April 2007, the President approved various security related improvements for the University Residence at a total cost of \$126,650. These improvements were recommended in a security evaluation of the residence conducted by the UCLA Police Department. The evaluation was initiated after the personal residences of Acting Chancellor Abrams and selected faculty were the targets of demonstrations by the Animal Liberation Front and other related groups. After another attempted firebombing on June 24 at the home of a UCLA faculty member, ensuring the security of the new Chancellor and his residence on the campus grounds has become a top priority. It is expected that the recent level of demonstrations focused on UCLA's chief executive officer will continue for the indefinite future. In August 2007, the President approved \$40,000 for 500 feet of additional wrought iron fencing.

In the past several months, there have been more aggressive protest activities by animal extremist groups. A photograph of Chancellor Block was posted on the Primate Freedom Project website, along with extremely disturbing and threatening narratives. In the past, the animal extremist groups have targeted faculty members once their names were added to this website. Based on several recent incidents at the private homes of UCLA faculty members, it appears that these groups are performing reconnaissance activities prior to initiating actions against personal residences. These recent actions have attributed to a reassessment of the current safety and security measures at the University Residence.

#### Project Description

UCLA Police Department personnel conducted a further security assessment and recommended the following upgrades:

- Replace four existing cameras with an upgraded model in order to increase clarity of pictures; add eight cameras to cover additional areas around the University Residence.
- Upgrade the DVR recording equipment for more storage capacity.
- Install an additional 400 feet of wrought iron fencing to complete the enclosure of the perimeter around the University Residence.

## CEQA Classification

In accordance with the University of California guidelines for the implementation of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), the proposed project qualifies for a Categorical Exemption under Section 15301, Class 1 Existing Facilities, and none of the exceptions to the exemption apply. All work will be performed in accordance with the Secretary of Interior's Standards and Guidelines for Rehabilitating Historic Buildings.

## Financial Feasibility

The total project cost of \$68,800 would be funded from University funds (Searles funds).

Approved by:

Mark G. Yudo

President of the University

10/22/58 Date