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**REGISTER OF UNIVERSITY OF NORTHERN IOWA**  
**CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT BUSINESS TRANSACTIONS**

**Action Requested:** Consider the University's request for approval of the project description and budget (\$450,000) for the **President's House Modifications** project.

**Executive Summary:** The University requests approval of the project description and budget (\$450,000) for the **President's House Modifications** project, which would update mechanical and electrical systems in the house, separate catering kitchen activities from private residential kitchen spaces, provide for improved Americans with Disabilities Act accessibility and furniture, and make repairs to the facility. The project would be funded by building repair funds and Treasurer's Temporary Investment Income. Board Policy (9.07G) requires institutions to obtain the Board's approval prior to initiating any renovation, modification, or improvement to the official state-owned residence of an institutional head if the cost is estimated at \$10,000 or more.

**Details of the Project:**

Project Summary

	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Board Action</u>
Project Description and Budget	\$450,000	Sept. 2012	Requested

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As part of the presidential search and transition, the University of Northern Iowa wishes to accomplish necessary modifications and improvements to the President's Residence. Much of the proposed work would best be accomplished when the facility is not occupied. The University is sensitive to recommending these modifications at this time; however, the University has a responsibility for the preservation of historical and significant campus buildings.

The president's residence, which was built in 1908, serves as both University event space on the first floor (nearly 100 University events were held at the facility last year) and as the home for the University president on the upper levels.

The wiring system of the structure includes antiquated "knob and tube" type wiring with cloth insulation. The electrical, fire and security alarm and related systems need to be upgraded to maintain a safe environment. In addition, the heating and air conditioning systems have reached the end of their useful lives and need to be replaced. Flooring, paint, and wall repair would also be completed.

Project Budget

Construction	\$375,000
Design and Supervision	37,500
Contingency	<u>37,500</u>
TOTAL	<u>\$450,000</u>

Source of Funds: Building Repair Funds (\$160,700) and Treasurer's  
Temporary Investment Income (\$289,300)