UNIVERSITY OF IOWA REQUEST TO RAZE TWO BUILDINGS

**Action Requested:** The University of Iowa requests Board approval of the proposed razings of two campus buildings to make way for the new west campus academic building, which is part of the UI’s “10-Year Facilities Master Plan” approved by the Board in January 2022.

A total of $3.85 million in deferred maintenance would be removed through both razings. The estimated cost of $900,000 to raze the South Quadrangle Building and $100,000 to raze the Pride Alliance Center would both be funded by Treasurer's Temporary Investment (TTI) Income.

1. **South Quadrangle Building**
2. **Pride Alliance Center**

   - Iowa Code §262.9 (8) authorizes the Regents to acquire real estate for the proper uses of the institutions and dispose of real estate when not necessary for their purposes.

**Executive Summary:** Both razings would include abatement of asbestos containing materials, disconnection and removal of unwanted underground utilities.

1. **South Quadrangle Razing:** $3.7 million in deferred maintenance would be eliminated.

Built in 1942, the South Quadrangle Building is located at 310 South Grand Avenue and is a two story, 28,800 square foot brick utilitarian building. The facility currently houses the university ROTC program and part of the Health and Human Physiology (HHP) department.
In May 2023, ROTC would relocate from the South Quad to first floor of the old Pharmacy Building. HHP would temporarily relocate from the South Quad to the old Pharmacy Building as well, but eventually would move into the new west campus academic building. Only a small part of the HHP program is currently in the South Quadrangle Building.

The building is past its useful life, has significant deferred maintenance ($3,700,000), does not allow for current accessibility laws, and has no historic significance in either its architecture or prior use. Razing the structure is needed for the construction of the new west campus academic building. The structure occupies land needed for the new building and a major utility connection that would serve the new building.

If the South Quad were to remain, the utility corridor would need to be routed around the structure at an additional project cost of more than $2,000,000.

2. Pride Alliance Center Razing: $150,000 in deferred maintenance would be eliminated.

Built in 1922, the Pride Alliance Center is located at 125 Grand Avenue Court and is a single-family, wood-framed residence. The facility currently houses the University’s Pride Alliance Center, which would relocate to another university-owned home at the end of this academic year in May 2023.

The building is well past its useful life, has significant deferred maintenance (over $150,000) and has no historic significance in either its architecture or prior use.

Razing of the home, along with previously approved razings of adjacent homes allows for the construction of a new surface parking serving important parking requirements for the new west campus academic building and the existing adjacent Gerdin Athletic Learning Center. New surface parking at this site would help replace some of the parking lost from the new academic building’s footprint, and would be constructed at roughly $15 million less than if built as part of the new academic building’s structure.