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LAKESIDE LAB REGENTS RESOURCE CENTER – NAMING OF CABIN

Action Requested: Consider approval of a request to name one of the four stone cabins at the Lakeside Lab Regents Resource Center as the Rusty Furman Cabin.

Executive Summary: The Friends of Lakeside Lab and the Administrator of Lakeside Lab seek approval to name one of the four stone cabins located by the Dining Hall as the Rusty Furman Cabin in honor of Mr. Furman, who was an early pioneer and leading citizen of the Lake Okoboji area. He was the first engineer in Dickinson County and served in that capacity from 1915 to 1947. The cabins are listed on the National Register of Historic Places and were constructed by the Civilian Conservation Corps. The cabins are rustic in nature and only provide sleeping accommodations for a maximum of three students.

Mr. John Furman, the son of Rusty Furman, is a member of the Macbride Society, created by the Friends of Lakeside Lab to honor those who have donated to the endowment to sustain the Lab. Mr. Furman is also a founding member of the University of Okoboji Foundation that made a substantial lead gift to the Friends' capital campaign to build the Waitt Lab, and also recently contributed to the purchase of Lakeside's new research grade light microscope and imaging system.

Funds from Mr. Furman's most recent donation to the endowment will be used to maintain Lakeside Lab buildings listed on the National Register of Historic Places.