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**UNIVERSITY OF IOWA PROPOSED PROPERTY PURCHASE**

**Action Requested:** Consider approval of the purchase, for the benefit of the University of Iowa, of a property located at 509 South Dubuque Street in Iowa City, Iowa, from the Iowa City Community School District at the price of \$4,500,000, subject to approval of the final documents by the Board Office and Attorney General's Office.

**(ROLL CALL VOTE)**

**Executive Summary:** The University of Iowa requests approval for the purchase of property located at 509 South Dubuque in Iowa City from the Iowa City Community School District. The property would facilitate the relocation of business entities currently located within the parameters of the proposed site for the School of Music. The property consists of a 56,790 square foot parcel of land and includes the former Sabin School which serves as the administrative offices for the District. A map showing the location of the property is included as Attachment A.

The proposed purchase price of \$4,500,000 is consistent with Board policy for the purchase of property, based on two appraisals which used the sales comparison approach. The purchase, which would not close until mid 2011 at the earliest, may be financed, or income from Treasurer's Temporary Investment Income could be used.

Under Board policy, property shall be purchased at no more than the highest appraisal, or not more than 5 percent over the average of two appraisals, whichever is the lower figure. This policy is not intended to limit negotiation for a price lower than the appraised value.

Additional information is available from the Board Office.

