December 17, 2018

TO: Members of the Board of Trustees

FROM: Susan Herbst

RE: Naming Recommendation for the Hait Family Innovative Learning Space

RECOMMENDATION:

That the Board of Trustees authorize the renaming of the Pharmacy Biology Building (PBB) Room 229 as the Hait Family Innovative Learning Space.

BACKGROUND:

In 2003, the Hait Family contributed an amount consistent with the amount recommended under the University’s Named Gift Guidelines to name the computer laboratory in Room 229 of the Pharmacy Biology Building on the Storrs Campus. Since that time, the need for computer laboratory space has been eliminated by student ownership and use of personal laptop computers. Room 229 currently provides students a place to study and lounge.

Considering these circumstances, the Dean of the School of Pharmacy and the donors have requested that the name of PBB Room 229 be changed from Hait Family Computer Laboratory to Hait Family Innovative Learning Space.

In addition, Mr. William Hait ’65 and Adam Hait ’93 have offered to help cover costs of the Room 229 renovations.

At its December 6, 2018, meeting, the Institutional Advancement Committee recommended approval to the full Board.