To: Board of Trustees

From: Mitchell E. Daniels, Jr., President

Re: Request to Name the Thomas S. and Harvey D. Wilmeth Library of Engineering and Science

Date: May 7, 2014

I am pleased to endorse the request to name the Thomas S. and Harvey D. Wilmeth Library of Engineering and Science. This library will be located within the Active Learning Center and used for collections, and student learning/study/library spaces. Supporting documentation for this request is attached.

Thank you for your consideration.

Cc: Steven Schultz
TO: Al Diaz, Executive Vice President for Business and Finance, Treasurer  
Tim Sands, Executive Vice President for Academic Affairs, Provost

FROM: Amy Noah, Vice President for Development

DATE: May 5, 2014

RE: Request naming approval for the Thomas S. and Harvey D. Wilmeth Library of Engineering and Science

The attached memo from Jim Mullins, Dean of Libraries and Esther Ellis Norton Professor, requests approval to name the Thomas S. and Harvey D. Wilmeth Library of Engineering and Science.

This request honors the generosity of a $4M gift from Tom Wilmeth (BS 1935 Electrical and Computer Engineering, HDR 2013 Engineering Information Literacy) and his late brother, Harvey Wilmeth (BS 1940 Chemical Engineering, d. 2007) to name the approximately 37,450 square foot library that will be located within the Active Learning Center and used for collections as well as offering an environment to enhance student learning and studying.

As a member of the Purdue Naming Committee, I recommend we move this naming opportunity forward to the president for Board approval. I respectfully request your endorsement to name the "Thomas S. and Harvey D. Wilmeth Library of Engineering and Science" in honor of Tom and Harvey Wilmeth and their passion to make lasting and meaningful impact on the world and in the lives of Purdue students.

PURDUE NAMING COMMITTEE APPROVAL:

Amy Noah  
Vice President for Development  
5-5-14

Date

Al Diaz  
Executive Vice President for Business and Finance, Treasurer  
5/5/14

Date

Tim Sands  
Executive Vice President for Academic Affairs, Provost
May 1, 2014

To: Amy Noah, Vice President for Development

From: James L. Mullins

Through: Sandra H. Howarth, Director of Advancement

Purdue Libraries & Press

Re: Thomas S. and Harvey D. Wilmeth Library of Engineering & Science

I am requesting approval to name the Thomas S. and Harvey D. Wilmeth Library of Engineering and Science. This approximately 37,450 square foot library will be located within the Active Learning Center and used for collections, and student learning/study/library spaces.

This request honors the generosity of Thomas S. Wilmeth, 1935 Electrical Engineering and 2013 Honorary Doctorate in Engineering Information Literacy. Tom co-founded Scot Industries with his late brother Harvey (BS Chemical Engineering 1940, d. 2007) in 1949. Scot Industries manufactures specialty tubing and bar products. For the past 30 years, Tom’s son, Steve, has managed day to day operations.

Tom is a former member of the Libraries Development Advisory Board. While at Purdue Tom was a member of the Forum/Debate Team, Alpha Chi Rho social fraternity, Alpha Phi Omega service fraternity, Gimlet, Tau Beta Pi engineering honor society, and Eta Kappa Nu electrical and computer engineering honor society. Tom’s desire is that this total gift of $4M will demonstrate the life-long pursuit of excellence of two brothers with the quintessential desire to make a lasting and meaningful impact on the world and in the lives of Purdue students today and into the future.

I believe naming the Wilmeth Library is an appropriate recognition of Tom’s generosity and support of the Active Learning Center and request your approval for the naming of the Thomas S. and Harvey D. Wilmeth Library of Engineering and Science.