TO ALL MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF REGENTS

SUBJECT: 2018 State Supplemental Operating Budget Request

PROPOSED: That the Washington State University Board of Regents approve the 2018 State Supplemental Operating Budget Request and that the Board delegate authority to the President to approve changes or adjustments that may be needed before the final submission is presented to the Office of Financial Management.

SUBMITTED BY: Joan King, Associate Vice President & Chief University Budget Officer

SUPPORTING INFORMATION: The proposed list of projects for the 2018 State Supplemental Operating Budget Request as shown below.

1. WSU Energy Program.
   This package seeks an appropriation of approximately $1 million for the biennium to support ESSB 5939. The legislature passed and the governor signed this bill, which transfers the program management, technical review and tracking responsibilities for the state renewable energy cost recovery incentive program from the Department of Revenue to the WSU Energy Program. The budget bill should have included an appropriation to do this work, but due to the late passage of the budget bill, this appropriation was not included in the approved budget.
   Request amount: $1,035,000 biennially.

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3. Washington Academy of Sciences, consolidation of fiscal agent duties. This package requests the consolidation of all fiscal agent responsibilities with WSU for the Washington Academy of Sciences. Beginning in FY2008, both WSU and the University of Washington were appropriated funds for the operation of the Academy. Over time, it has become clear that it would be much more efficient to have one agency handle all financial operations. UW has agreed to have WSU act as the sole fiscal agent. The State simply needs to transfer the appropriation from UW to WSU. The initial appropriation to each institution was $85,000 per year; the amount to transfer will be less, due to budget cuts after 2008. Estimated transfer: $74,000 annually.

TOTAL WSU STATE SUPPLEMENTAL OPERATING BUDGET REQUEST: $1.61 M
RESOLVED: That the Washington State University Board of Regents approve the 2018 State Supplemental Operating Budget Request as outlined below and delegate authority to the President to approve any changes or adjustments that may be needed before the packages are presented to the Office Financial Management.

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DATED this 22nd day of September, 2017.

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Chair, Board of Regents

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Secretary, Board of Regents