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MEMORANDUM

To:

Donna E. Shalala, President

From:

Richard L. Williamson

Chair, Faculty Senate

Date:

September 21, 2012

Subject: Faculty Senate Legislation #2012-09(B) – Change the Name for the Center for Liver

Diseases to the Schiff Center for Liver Disease at the University of Miami Miller

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School of Medicine

At its September 19, 2012 meeting, the Faculty Senate unanimously approved the proposal to change the name of the Center for Liver Diseases to the Schiff Center for Liver Disease at the University of Miami Miller School of Medicine¹. The Center will be renamed to honor Dr. Leon Schiff, an eminent gastroenterologist and hepatologist, who was instrumental in the establishment of the Center for Liver Diseases and served on the faculty for 24 years until his death in 1994. His son, Dr. Eugene Schiff, is the Director of the Center as well as an internationally renowned hepatologist.

The name change does not alter the mission, structure, or programs of the Center.

The supporting materials are enclosed for your reference.

This legislation is now forwarded to you for your action.

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Enclosure

cc:

Thomas LeBlanc, Executive Vice President and Provost

Pascal Goldschmidt, Senior Vice President and Dean, Miller School of Medicine

Norman Altman, Professor, Miller School of Medicine

¹ C18.2.2 Other NAMED or TITLED ACADEMIC UNITS [such as school-level Centers and Institutes] established under Bylaw 6.6 may be approved by the Faculty Senate and the President. For each such approved unit, the Executive Vice-President and Provost shall consult with the dean of the host school at five year intervals to determine whether the unit remains active and shall report to the Faculty Senate the names of those that should be disestablished.

C18.2.3 Periodic five year reviews may be conducted on all programs, centers, institutes and similar academic units as deemed appropriate by the Faculty Senate or the Executive Vice-President and Provost.

CAPSULE: Faculty Senate Legislation #2012-09(B) – Change the Name for the Center for Liver Diseases *to* the Schiff Center for Liver Disease at the University of Miami Miller School of Medicine

PRESIDENT'S RESPONSE
APPROVED: DATE: 9/26/12 (President's Signature)
OFFICE OR INDIVIDUAL TO IMPLEMENT: DEAN GOLDSCHMIDT
EFFECTIVE DATE OF LEGISLATION: IMMEDIATELY (if other than June 1 next following)
NOT APPROVED AND REFERRED TO:
REMARKS (IF NOT APPROVED):

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March 15, 2012

Professor Richard Williamson Chair, Faculty Senate University of Miami

Dear Professor Williamson,

This is to inform the Faculty Senate that the Medical School Faculty Council met on March 13th, 2012 to review the name change for the *Center for Liver Diseases* at the University Of Miami Miller School Of Medicine to the *Schiff Center for Liver Diseases*. The Council members discussed the name change in detail and voted to approve it.

Respectfully Submitted,

Norman H. Altman, V.M.D.

Speaker, Medical School Faculty Council



UNIVERSITY OF MIAMI MILLER SCHOOL of MEDICINE

Schiff Center for Liver Diseases

This memo is a request for the Medical School Faculty Council to approve changing the name of the Center for Liver Diseases at the University of Miami Miller School of Medicine to the Schiff Center for Liver Diseases.

The Center for Liver Diseases is one of the nation's leading research centers, which provides patients with superb comprehensive care. Dr. Eugene Schiff, an internationally renowned hepatologist, is the Director of the Center for Liver Diseases.

The Center would be renamed the *Schiff Center for Liver Diseases* in honor of Dr. Schiff's father, Dr. Leon Schiff, an eminent gastroenterologist and hepatologist, who was instrumental in the establishment of the Center for Liver Diseases at the University of Miami and served on the faculty for 24 years until his death in 1994.

The Center is already grandfathered as indicated in the attached documentation dating from 1997 to 2007 referring to the *Schiff Liver Institute* and the *Schiff Liver Center*. The requested renaming is a name change only and does not alter the mission, structure, or programs of the Center which have been previously reviewed and approved.

Pascal J. Goldschmidt, M.D., Senior Vice President for Medical Affairs and Dean of the University of Miami Miller School of Medicine, supports changing the name of the Center for Liver Diseases to the Schiff Center for Liver Diseases.