

# REPORT OF INDEPENDENT AUDITORS



To the Regents of the University of Michigan:

We have audited the accompanying consolidated financial statements of the University of Michigan and its subsidiaries (the "University"), which comprise the consolidated statement of net position as of June 30, 2018 and 2017, and the related consolidated statements of revenues, expenses and changes in net position and of cash flows for the years then ended.

## MANAGEMENT'S RESPONSIBILITY FOR THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the consolidated financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America; this includes the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of consolidated financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

## AUDITORS' RESPONSIBILITY

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the consolidated financial statements based on our audits. We conducted our audits in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the consolidated financial statements are free from material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the consolidated financial statements. The procedures selected depend on our judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the consolidated financial statements, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, we consider internal control relevant to the University's preparation and fair presentation of the consolidated financial statements in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the University's internal control. Accordingly, we express no such opinion. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the consolidated financial statements. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion.

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## OPINION

In our opinion, the consolidated financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the University of Michigan and its subsidiaries as of June 30, 2018 and 2017, and the changes in their financial position and their cash flows for the years then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

## EMPHASIS OF MATTER

As discussed in Note 1 to the consolidated financial statements, the University changed the manner in which it accounts for irrevocable split-interest agreements in which the University is a beneficiary in 2018 and the manner in which it accounts for postemployment benefits other than pensions in 2017. Our opinion is not modified with respect to this matter.

## OTHER MATTER

The accompanying management's discussion and analysis on pages 27 through 45 and the supplementary information for pension and postemployment benefits on pages 84 and 85 are required by accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America to supplement the basic consolidated financial statements. Such information, although not a part of the basic consolidated financial statements, is required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board who considers it to be an essential part of financial reporting for placing the basic consolidated financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic, or historical context. We have applied certain limited procedures to the required supplementary information in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, which consisted of inquiries of management about the methods of preparing the information and comparing the information for consistency with management's responses to our inquiries, the basic consolidated financial statements, and other knowledge we obtained during our audits of the basic consolidated financial statements. We do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on the information because the limited procedures do not provide us with sufficient evidence to express an opinion or provide any assurance.

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