Naming Opportunity
Linda and Bipin Doshi Department of Chemical and Biochemical Engineering
Missouri S&T

Pursuant to CRR 110.081, naming of academic units requires Board approval. The Missouri University of Science & Technology requests approval to name the Department of Chemical and Biochemical Engineering the Linda and Bipin Doshi Department of Chemical and Biochemical Engineering in recognition of their generous gift of $10 million to the department of chemical and biochemical engineering.

Linda and Bipin Doshi’s gift will establish an endowment, which will name the department and provide funding for an endowed chair to be held by the department chair and two professorships in support of exceptional, mid-career faculty members. The endowment will eventually support additional departmental needs including technology acquisitions and upgrades, fellowships, and seed funding for accelerating research to market.

Bipin Doshi is the retired chairman, president and CEO of Schafer Industries, a group of manufacturing companies based in South Bend, Indiana. He earned his bachelor of science and master of science degrees in chemical engineering from Missouri S&T and also holds a bachelor of science degree in chemistry and physics from the University of Bombay. Doshi launched his career as a research engineer with U.S. Rubber Co., later Uniroyal, and was a vice president when he left the company after 25 years of service to purchase Schafer Gear Works, now Schafer Industries. He sold the company in 2017.

A member of the Missouri S&T Board of Trustees and the Academy of Chemical Engineers, Doshi received an honorary doctorate in engineering and delivered S&T’s commencement address in May 2019, and he was honored among the university’s Alumni of Influence in 2016. The Doshis have supported a number of initiatives at the university, including capital projects, establishing an endowed scholarship for chemical engineering students, and a $1 million gift naming the Frank Conrad Unit Operations Laboratory in James E. Bertelsmeyer Hall, the home of chemical and biochemical engineering dedicated in 2014.

UM System President and MU Chancellor Mun Y. Choi and Chancellor Dehghani are in support of this naming.
Recommended Action - Naming Opportunity, Linda and Bipin Doshi Department of Chemical and Biochemical Engineering, Missouri S&T

It was recommended by UM System President and MU Chancellor Mun Y. Choi and Missouri S&T Chancellor Mohammad Dehghani, moved by Curator ______________ and seconded by Curator ______________, that the following action be approved:

that the Department of Chemical and Biochemical Engineering be named the Linda and Bipin Doshi Department of Chemical and Biochemical Engineering, in recognition of their extraordinary contributions.

Roll call vote:  YES  NO

Curator Brncic
Curator Chatman
Curator Graham
Curator Hoberock
Curator Layman
Curator Snowden
Curator Steelman
Curator Wenneker
Curator Williams

The motion ________________.