

BOARD APPROVED
FEBRUARY 9, 2018
JANICE INDRUTZ
CORPORATE SECRETARY

TO:

Mitch Daniels, President

FROM:

Amy Noah, Vice President for Development Limy

DATE:

February 1, 2018

RE:

Request approval to name the Gabis Arboretum at Purdue Northwest

The attached memo from Thomas Keon, details a request to name the *Gabis Arboretum at Purdue Northwest*.

This approximately 300 acres of real property and all assets associated with the real property is located between 500W and 100N in Valparaiso, IN. The space will be used for educational purposes to enhance the educational, research, and academic programming offered to Purdue students and the broader community, and to honor the conservation, environmental, and public education mission of the arboretum. The request honors the generosity of Damien and Rita Gabis, who have gifted the property and all its assets, as well as approximately \$3.5M in a Charitable Remainder Unitrust to Purdue Northwest.

As a member of the Purdue Naming Committee, I recommend we move this naming opportunity forward for Board approval. I respectfully request your endorsement to name the *Gabis Arboretum at Purdue Northwest*, as this naming is an appropriate recognition of Damien and Rita Gabis' generosity and support of Purdue Northwest.

APPROVED BY:

Mitchell E. Daniels Jr.

President

Date

