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DEPARTMENT OF HISTORY

Dean Martin Stearns,
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Dear Dean Stearns:

I hereby formally request a leave of absence for one year, with the possibility of renewal for a second year, to accept the post as Director of Planning for the City of Detroit. As you will recall, I have discussed this change with you, my department chairman, and the Provost, and have received oral approval from all three. As per our discussion, I plan to teach one course per term on a part-time basis and to continue to administer the Liberal Arts Urban Studies Program (with Wilbur Thompson serving as adviser for students), and the History-Law M.A.-J.D. program. I am also planning to continue to serve on the President's committees to search for a new vice-provost for labor, urban, and metropolitan affairs, and to establish a community economic development program. Also, I plan to guide the presentations to committee and the Graduate Council, as needed, for the establishment of the Graduate Urban Network.

As I mentioned over the phone, the mayor would like me to begin on August 1, so I trust formalities of approval can be processed in due time.

I very much appreciate your willingness to grant me this leave. I hope my performance in the new job brings credit to the University.

Sincerely,

Corinne L. Gilb
Professor of History

cc Provost Guy Stern
Melvin Small