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AWARD HONORARY DEGREE, URBANA

Action: Award Honorary Doctorate Degree

Funding: No New Funding Required

The Senate at the Urbana-Champaign campus has recommended that an honorary degree be conferred on the following person at Commencement Exercises on May 13, 2012:

Raymond Ozzie, Former Chief Software Architect, Microsoft Corporation--the honorary degree of Doctor of Engineering

> Raymond "Ray" Ozzie is a leader in the computer software world. While earning his Bachelor's degree in Computer Science at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, he worked as a systems programmer with the PLATO computer system and its online user community. He has won several distinguished awards for his work on Lotus Notes which was the first networked groupware application for the personal computer which revolutionized business computing. In 1994, he was named one of seven "Windows Pioneers" by Microsoft and in 1995 named "Person of the Year" by *PC Magazine*. Mr. Ozzie is a member of the National Academy of Engineering and an American Academy of Arts & Sciences Fellow.

The Vice President, University of Illinois and Chancellor, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign concurs in the recommendation.

The Board action recommended in this item complies in all material respects with applicable State and federal laws, University of Illinois *Statutes*, *The*

General Rules Concerning University Organization and Procedure, and Board of

Trustees policies and directives.

The President of the University recommends approval.