NAME THE ISADORE AND SADIE DORIN FORUM, CHICAGO

Action: Name the Isadore and Sadie Dorin Forum

Funding: No New Funding Required

The Chancellor, University of Illinois at Chicago, and Vice President, University of Illinois recommends the naming of the UIC Forum at 725 West Roosevelt Road, Chicago, in recognition of the Isadore and Sadie Dorin Foundation’s $3.0 million pledge to the University of Illinois at Chicago. This naming is honorary, as there is no new construction or renovation of the UIC Forum planned.

The UIC Forum serves the University and Chicago community as an academic, business, recreation, and entertainment facility. Built in 2007, this multi-purpose 3,000-seat convocation center has over 30,000 square feet and hosts a variety of events such as conventions, trade shows, speaking engagements, concerts, receptions, lectures, seminars, presentations, and commencements. The UIC Forum is located on the southeast corner of Roosevelt Road and Halsted Street, marking a gateway to UIC’s vibrant south campus area filled with retail, urban parks, student apartments, academic facilities, public parking, and historic sites. The building is also connected to James J.
Stukel Towers student housing, linking student life and academic enrichment with social and recreational amenities in an urban campus setting.

The Isadore and Sadie Dorin Foundation is the legacy family foundation of Isadore and Sadie Dorin, Russian immigrants who settled in Chicago in the early 1900s. Through hard work and determination, the Dorins raised five children and found personal success in building a produce business in Chicago. Mr. David Dorin, second eldest child of Isadore and Sadie and Chief Executive Officer and Director of the foundation, desired to honor his parents for their commitment to their family and to fully realizing the American dream. Mr. Dorin fondly remembers driving past the intersection of Roosevelt Road (then 12th Street) and Halsted Street frequently in the 1930s with his mother and siblings to spend memorable family time at the 12th Street beach. This is the location of the UIC Forum and the reason the family approached the University about this naming opportunity.

The Isadore and Sadie Dorin Foundation pledge secures a 17-year naming of the UIC Forum and will support UIC’s highest priorities ($2.0 million) and provide a permanent endowed Isadore and Sadie Dorin Scholarship ($1.0 million) for undergraduates from Cook County with high academic achievement.

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 concurs.