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GOVERNOR ENGLER

PORTRAIT PROJECT

A Project of the Cornerstone Foundation

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A MESSAGE FROM THE JOHN ENGLER PORTRAIT PROJECT COMMITTEE

It is a long-standing tradition in Michigan that, at the conclusion of each governor's service, his portrait is hung beside those of his predecessor governors in the Michigan State Capitol Rotunda, as a permanent, visible memorial of that governor's contributions to the state. It is also the tradition that the cost of the portrait is underwritten, not by the general taxpayers of Michigan, but by the friends, associates and admirers of that governor. To continue this tradition, Governor Engler has appointed us, the John Engler Portrait Committee, to undertake the project of securing and financing the official Governor John Engler portrait.

Because Governor Engler counts you among his friends and associates, we are inviting you to participate in bringing this Michigan tradition — and a lasting, visible representation of John Engler's legacy — to fruition. Contributing to this effort is a way to participate in preserving a piece of Michigan history and to pay tribute to one of Michigan's most extraordinary leaders, Governor John Engler.

As you can see, the committee is just the organizational structure to accomplish this project. We alone cannot make it happen. It is the people of Michigan — people like you — who will ensure that John Engler's legacy is preserved in the Capitol, our state's most historic building. Together, we can ensure that John Engler's legacy is represented, with distinction, in Michigan's Gallery of Governors.

We ask for your generous financial support of this project.

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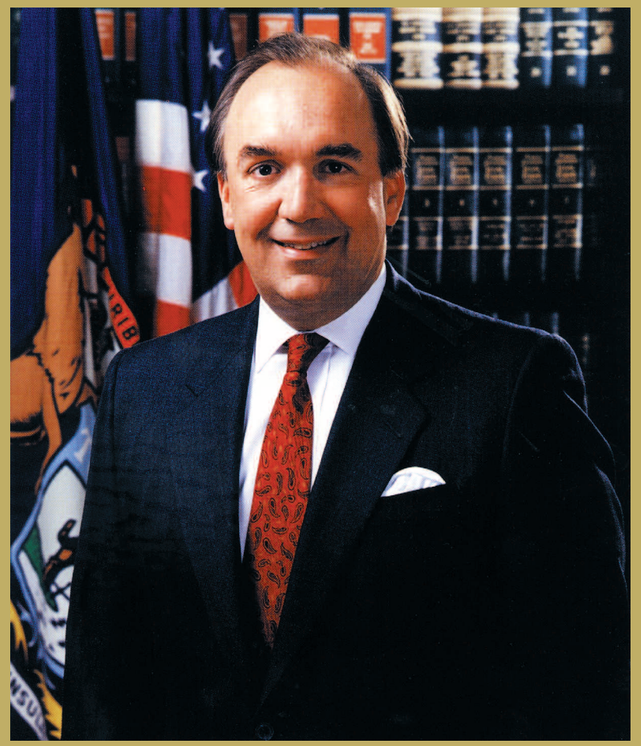
A CITIZENS' EFFORT TO PRESERVE THE ENGLER LEGACY.

For 12 years, Governor John Engler led Michigan with new ideas, energy and integrity. His accomplishments have forever changed our state — and decidedly for the better.

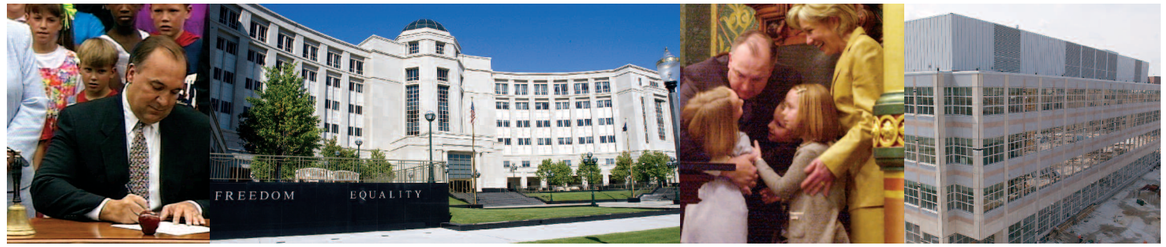
Today, because of John Engler's leadership, more Michigan children have access to a quality education; more families have broken the cycle of welfare dependency; more new jobs have been created in Michigan; and all families are keeping more of what they earn— thanks to the numerous Engler tax cuts.

We intend to honor and preserve Governor Engler's legacy of leadership with this portrait in the State Capitol. For this effort to be successful, people like you will have to help. In doing so, we will all accept responsibility for ensuring that future generations remember Governor John Engler and his many and unique contributions to Michigan history.

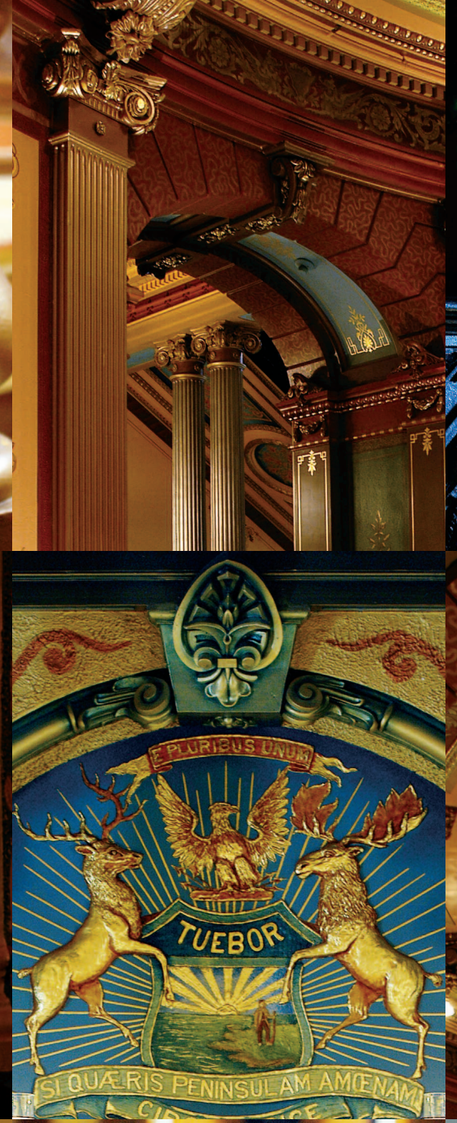
Because of the portrait's size and additional preservation requirements, the cost is substantially greater than that incurred for a normal portrait. Your generous donations will ensure that John Engler's portrait resides in the State Capitol as a symbol of the man and his accomplishments for our state. More importantly, your contribution demonstrates your support for and continuing admiration of one of Michigan's very finest governors.



A distinguished record of service to the people of Michigan.



Better schools...higher-paying jobs...helping families realize their dreams...cutting taxes for working families.



"In an era of continuous change, we can only 'move onward with confidence and courage' if we have learned from our past, and know how to apply what we've learned to our future. In short, we must all be better learners. Let me begin with this theme of learning. Whether it's children learning in better schools; or workers learning to improve their skills; or job providers learning to become more competitive; or dependent families learning to become independent; or government learning to serve you better — whatever we do, we must learn to do it better."

— GOVERNOR JOHN ENGLER

One of the notable features of the Michigan State Capitol is its collection of fine portraits of the governors who have served the people of Michigan. Such collections are commonly found in state capitols across the United States, but Michigan's collection is unique in several ways.

Few states display their governors' portraits as prominently as Michigan does. Michigan's Gallery of the Governors is located in the Rotunda on the second and third floors of the Capitol, where every visitor to the building, and those who serve in it, can readily view the portraits. The State Capitol, which is listed on the National Historic Register, underwent major renovations under Governor Engler's leadership. The renovation restored the Capitol to its stately and elegant magnificence and will stand as one of Governor Engler's greatest accomplishments.

The other distinction is that, in Michigan, these portraits are funded through private contributions and then are presented as gifts to the people of the State of Michigan. Please join the John Engler Portrait Project Committee in continuing our state's tradition of honoring its governors and ensuring their legacies for future generations.

At the request of former Governor Engler, the Cornerstone Foundation has established the "John Engler Portrait Project," a 501 (c)(3) tax-exempt fund. Corporate, foundation and personal contributions may be made to the fund and are entirely tax deductible.

THE PORTRAIT ARTIST: NELSON SHANKS ...
is a distinguished American portrait artist who created the commissioned portraits of Pope John Paul II, President Ronald Reagan, and Lady Margaret Thatcher.