## THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN

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Regents Communication

## **ACTION REQUEST**

Subject: Report of Faculty Retirement

Action Requested: Adoption of Retirement Memoir

**Theodore Z. Polley Jr., M.D.,** clinical associate professor of surgery in the Medical School, retired from active faculty status on December 31, 2012.

Dr. Polley received his B.A. degree from Northwestern University in 1970 and his M.D. degree from the University of Chicago in 1974. From 1974-80, he completed an internship and residency at the University of Michigan, and from 1980-82, he completed a pediatric surgery residency at the Children's Hospital Medical Center in Boston. He joined the University of Michigan faculty as an assistant professor of surgery in 1982. He was appointed clinical assistant professor of surgery in 1994, was promoted to clinical associate professor of surgery in 1995, and served as the assistant dean for admissions in the Medical School from 1988-90.

Dr. Polley played an instrumental role in the establishment of the Pediatric Trauma Program at Mott Children's Hospital and served as the program's first director from 1991-97. He served the Section of Pediatric Surgery in the establishment of the network practices at Oakwood Hospital, Henry Ford Hospital, Sparrow Hospital, St. Vincent's Hospital, and most recently St. Joseph Mercy Hospital. Dr. Polley has given numerous presentations and has authored more than 50 peer-reviewed publications and several book chapters. He is a member of the American Pediatric Surgical Association, the Central Surgical Association, the American Academy of Pediatrics-Surgical Section, the Frederick A. Coller Surgical Society, and a fellow of the American College of Surgeons. A highly regarded teacher, Dr. Polley received the Senior Award from the Medical School's graduating Classes of 1984, 1985, 1986, 1987, 1988, and 1995, in recognition of his excellence in teaching. He was honored as class marshal for the graduating Class of 1993.

The Regents now salute this distinguished medical scholar for his dedicated service by naming **Theodore Z. Polley Jr., clinical associate professor emeritus of surgery.** 

Requested by:

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