

THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN

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**ACTION REQUEST**

**Subject: Report of Faculty Retirement**

**Action Requested: Adoption of Retirement Memoir**

**Richard H. Moyer, Ed.D.**, professor of science education in the School of Education and professor of natural sciences in the College of Arts, Sciences, and Letters, University of Michigan-Dearborn, retired from active faculty status on December 31, 2012.

Professor Moyer received his B.S. degree from the University of Wisconsin in 1970, his M.S. degree from the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee in 1973, and his Ed.D. degree from the University of Northern Colorado in 1975. He joined the University of Michigan-Dearborn faculty as an assistant professor of education in 1975, and was promoted to associate professor in 1980, and professor in 1987. In addition, he was appointed professor of natural sciences in 2005.

Professor Moyer's scholarly work focused on the application of cognitive learning theory to the development of science curriculum materials for K-12 students. He authored two sets of science textbooks, one for K-6 students and one for K-8 students, a college textbook for elementary school teachers, and numerous journal articles. He played a pivotal role in the establishment of the Inquiry Institute, an interdisciplinary endeavor focused on the collaboration of natural science and science education faculty. Under Professor Moyer's leadership the Institute developed a new master of science in science education degree program and enrolled its first cohort of students in September 2003. He received the UM-Dearborn Distinguished Teaching Award in 1981 and 1991.

The Regents now salute this distinguished educator for his dedicated service by naming **Richard H. Moyer professor emeritus of science education and professor emeritus of natural sciences.**

**Requested by:**



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**Sally J. Churchill, J.D.**

**Vice President and Secretary of the University**

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