

THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN

Regents Communication

ACTION REQUEST

Subject: Report of Faculty Retirement

Action Requested: Adoption of Retirement Memoir

Jean T. Shope, Ph.D., research professor in the University of Michigan Transportation Research Institute (UMTRI), and research professor and lecturer in the School of Public Health, retired from active faculty status on December 31, 2012.

Professor Shope received her B.S.N. degree from the Cornell University-New York Hospital School of Nursing in 1963, her M.S.P.H. degree from the University of Minnesota in 1967, and her Ph.D. degree from Wayne State University in 1978. She completed a postdoctoral research fellowship at the University of Michigan School of Public Health from 1978-80. Professor Shope joined the University of Michigan faculty as an assistant research scientist in 1980, and was promoted to associate research scientist in 1995, senior associate research scientist in 1997, research scientist in 1999, and research professor in 2003. She was appointed lecturer in 1983 and assistant professor of postgraduate medicine and health professions from 1988-93.

Professor Shope is recognized internationally for her extensive research on the psychosocial factors involved in health and illness. She explored a wide range of topics including medication adherence and disease management, health promotion, substance abuse, risk reduction, and injury prevention. Her research on adolescent risk behaviors and interventions led to a broader implementation of Michigan's Graduated Driver Licensing (GDL) program that has significantly reduced crashes, serious injuries and traffic related fatalities involving teen drivers and their passengers. She has evaluated the efficacy of utilizing interactive computer-based interventions in emergency medicine departments and in higher education environments. Professor Shope taught and mentored countless graduate and post-doctoral students in the School of Public Health and the UMTRI. She held numerous leadership positions including director of the UMTRI's Social and Behavioral Analysis Division (1995-2005), associate director of the UMTRI (2006-12), and director of the University's Center for Injury Prevention among Youth (2008-10). She received three UMTRI Research Excellence Awards, five UMTRI Best Publication Awards, the University's Research Faculty Achievement Award, and the Cornell University-New York Hospital School of Nursing Distinguished Alumni Award.

The Regents now salute this distinguished faculty member by naming **Jean T. Shope research professor emerita**.

Requested by:



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