

THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN

Regents Communication

ACTION REQUEST

Adopted by the Regents

May 17, 2007

Subject: Report of Faculty Retirement

Action Requested: Adoption of Retirement Memoir

Antoine E. Naaman, Ph.D., professor of civil engineering in the College of Engineering, will retire from active faculty status on May 31, 2007.

Professor Naaman received his diploma in engineering in 1964 from Ecole Centrale des Arts et Manufactures in Paris, France, a specialty degree from the Centre des Hautes Etudes de la Construction in Paris, France, in 1965, and his M.S. and Ph.D. degrees from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology in 1970 and 1972, respectively. From 1973-83, he was on the faculty of the University of Illinois in Chicago. He joined the University of Michigan faculty in 1983 as a professor in the Department of Civil and Environmental Engineering.

Professor Naaman is recognized nationally and internationally for his research in three distinct areas of civil engineering: prestressed and partially prestressed concrete, high performance fiber reinforced cement composites, and ferrocement and laminated cement composites. His research studies have led to more than 300 publications, including two textbooks, ten co-edited books, three book chapters, and a University of Michigan patent on a new fiber for use in cement and ceramic composites. He has chaired or co-chaired 32 doctoral thesis committees, and students and colleagues alike praise his thorough teaching, his innovative research, and his exemplary student mentoring.

Professor Naaman has twice received the American Society of Civil Engineers T.Y. Lin Award (1980, 1993), the Precast/Prestressed Concrete Institute's Martin P. Korn Award (1979, 1986), and Germany's Alexander von Humboldt Award (1989, 1992). He has also been honored with the Hwa Ying Foundation for Culture and Education Award (P.R. China, 2000) and the Japan Concrete Institute's Best Paper Award (2004). He is a fellow of the American Concrete Institute, the Precast/Prestressed Concrete Institute, the American Society of Civil Engineers, and the International Ferrocement Society, and was president of the International Ferrocement Society from 1998-2001. Within the University, he received the College of Engineering Research Excellence Award in 1987 and the Civil and Environmental Engineering Teaching Award in 1997.

The Regents now salute this dedicated teacher and distinguished scholar by naming **Antoine E. Naaman professor emeritus of civil engineering**.

Requested by:



Sally J. Churchill
Vice President and Secretary of the University

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