THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN

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Regents Communication

ACTION REQUEST

Subject: Report of Faculty Retirement

Action Requested: Adoption of Retirement Memoir

Theodosia S. Robertson, Ph.D., associate professor of history in the College of Arts and Sciences, University of Michigan-Flint, will retire from active faculty status on May 31, 2012.

Professor Robertson received her B.A. degree from Dominican University in 1967 and her Ph.D. degree from Indiana University in 1985. She joined the University of Michigan-Flint faculty as an adjunct assistant professor in 1986, and was promoted to assistant professor in 1994, and associate professor in 1999.

A scholar of Polish literature, Professor Robertson is perhaps known internationally as the foremost expert on the works of Polish writer Bruno Schulz. She has published extensively on Polish literature and culture and Holocaust history, and has presented on these topics at conferences throughout Europe. Professor Robertson has taught classes in western civilization, Polish history, the Holocaust, Russian history, modern Germany, and the history of East Central Europe, and also teaches the history capstone seminar. Her students have praised her enthusiasm, subject matter knowledge, and innovative approaches to teaching.

Within the history department, Professor Robertson has headed assessment obligations, developed the initial Wyatt Exploration Program, and has been active in all department functions and program development. She served two terms on the College of Arts and Sciences Executive Committee, was a member of the strategic planning committee, and was the senior advisor to the chancellor for two years. Within the community, Professor Robertson has served as president of the Dom Polski Cultural Center of Flint (1997-2002), and served two terms as president of the International Institute of Flint Board of Directors (1998-2004). Her honors include the University of Michigan-Flint's Excellence in Teaching Award (2006), the Dr. Matthew Hilton-Watson Distinguished Professor Award (2010), and the University of Michigan-Flint Distinguished Service Award (2010).

The Regents now salute this distinguished educator for her dedicated service by naming **Theodosia S. Robertson associate professor emerita of history.**

Requested by:

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