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**ACTION REQUEST**

**Subject: Report of Faculty Retirement**

**Action Requested: Adoption of Retirement Memoir**

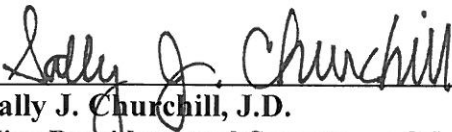
**R. Shantaram, Ph.D.**, associate professor of computer science in the College of Arts and Sciences, University of Michigan-Flint, will retire from active faculty status on May 31, 2012.

Professor Shantaram received his B.Sc. from Ferguson College, India in 1959, his M.Sc. degree from the University of Poona, India in 1961, his Ph.D. degree from The Pennsylvania State University in 1966, and his M.S. degree from Wayne State University in 1982. From 1966-71, he was an assistant professor at the State University of New York at Stony Brook. He joined the University of Michigan-Flint as an assistant professor in 1971, and was promoted to associate professor in 1974.

Over the span of his 40 plus years at the UM-Flint, Professor Shantaram taught all of the introductory and upper level mathematics and computer science courses, in addition to developing and teaching a number of new courses. His broad range of knowledge proved invaluable to the Master's in Computer Science in Information Systems Program, for which he volunteered numerous times to ensure sufficient faculty coverage. In the Department of Mathematics, he assisted in hosting the annual Math Field Day, a program for local high school students to compete in a variety of mathematics problem-solving challenges. Within the computer science department, he founded the annual High School Programming Contest which awards winning teams scholarships to attend the UM-Flint. He also served as the faculty advisor to the student chapter of the Association of Computing Machinery (ACM), and he coached and chaperoned computer science students participating in the annual national ACM programming competitions held in locations across the Midwest.

The Regents now salute this distinguished computer science educator for his dedicated service by naming **R. Shantaram associate professor emeritus of computer science**.

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