THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN

Regents Communication

ACTION REQUEST

Subject:

Report of Faculty Retirement

Action Requested:

Adoption of Retirement Memoir

James E. Krier, J.D., Earl Warren DeLano Professor of Law and professor of law in the Law School, retired from active faculty status on May 31, 2019.

Professor Krier received his B.S. and J.D. degrees from the University of Wisconsin in 1961 and 1966, respectively. He clerked for Roger J. Traynor, one of the most distinguished jurists of the 20th century, from 1966-67. He practiced law for Arnold & Porter in Washington, D.C., from 1967-69. Professor Krier served on the faculties of the University of California, Los Angeles and Stanford University. He joined the University of Michigan faculty as a professor in 1983 and was named the Earl Warren DeLano Professor of Law in 1988.

Professor Krier was a leading scholar in the fields of property and environmental law. He presented numerous invited lectures on these subjects and testified before federal and state legislative committees. He published leading textbooks in both fields, as well as numerous books and articles, most recently appearing in the Harvard Law Review, the Supreme Court Economic Review, the UCLA Law Review, and the Cornell Law Review. Professor Krier's research and teaching drew extensively on economic theory, other social sciences, and humanistic disciplines to illuminate law as a social institution and as an intellectual discipline. He authored or co-authored several books, including Environmental Law and Policy, Pollution and Policy (1971) and the widely-used 9th edition of the casebook Property (2017) with Professor Jesse Dukeminier of UCLA. He also held visiting professor appointments at Harvard Law School, Oxford University, the University of Alabama School of Law, and the Cardozo School of Law. He was awarded the Brigham-Kanner Property Rights Prize by the Marshall-Wythe School of Law at the College of William & Mary in 2012.

The Regents now salute this distinguished teacher and scholar by naming James E. Krier, Earl Warren DeLano Professor Emeritus of Law and professor emeritus of law.

Requested by:

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Vice President and Secretary of the University

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