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ACTION REQUEST

Subject: Report of Faculty Retirement

Action Requested: Adoption of Retirement Memoir

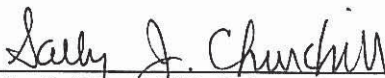
Alan Tsai, Ph.D., associate professor of human nutrition in the School of Public Health, retired from active faculty status on May 31, 2009.

Professor Tsai received his M.S. and Ph.D. degrees from Washington State University in 1969 and 1972, respectively. He joined the University of Michigan faculty in 1973 as assistant professor of human nutrition, and was promoted to associate professor in 1977.

Professor Tsai's research began with a focus on experimental studies in rodents characterizing the effects of exercise, specific nutrients, and other stimuli. Later, his work shifted to clinical epidemiologic topics, such as the impact of nutrients on lipoprotein metabolism in patients with coronary artery disease. Most recently, Professor Tsai has focused his research efforts on collaborations with colleagues in Taiwan to develop nutritional assessment tools for the elderly and to address long-term care issues. Professor Tsai has authored or co-authored 51 publications in peer-reviewed journals. Within the School of Public Health, Professor Tsai taught a number of courses critical to the human nutrition degree program and the human nutrition dietetics program. Among the most important topics he covered were courses on herbs and dietary supplements, advanced nutritional science, principles of laboratory research techniques in nutrition, and the wide-ranging seminar in nutrition.

The Regents salute this distinguished faculty member by naming **Alan Tsai associate professor emeritus of human nutrition**.

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