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**ACTION REQUEST**

**Subject: Report of Faculty Retirement**

**Action Requested: Adoption of Retirement Memoir**

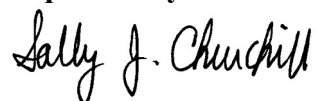
**Larry Junck, M.D.**, professor of neurology in the Medical School, retired from active faculty status on May 29, 2023.

Dr. Junck received his B.S. degree in physics and his A.B. degree in philosophy from the University of Illinois in 1972. In 1976, he earned his M.D. degree from the University of Michigan. He completed his residency in neurology at Stanford University in 1980, followed by a research fellowship in positron emission tomography at Memorial Sloan-Kettering Cancer Center in New York. He joined the faculty of the Department of Neurology at the University of Michigan Medical School as an assistant professor in 1983. In 1990, he was promoted to associate professor, with tenure, and to professor, with tenure, in 2000.

Dr. Junck has made substantial contributions to patient care, teaching, and research in neuro-oncology. Throughout his career, his major focus has been advancing the care of patients with brain tumors. He is known for his expert and compassionate care and his communications skills with patients; skills which he enjoyed teaching to trainees. He served as the director of the Neuro-Oncology Program of the University of Michigan Rogel Cancer Center and director the Neuro-Oncology Clinic for many years. He was a founding member of the University of Michigan Brain Tumor Board and served as its leader from 2001-02. His outstanding teaching skills were recognized with the Status Pedagogicus Award from the University of Michigan Neurology residents and the Teaching Recognition Award from the American Academy of Neurology. He was in the first cohort of physicians initiated into the Medical School's League of Clinical Excellence. He designed and wrote clinical trials and cared for many patients in these trials. He underwent additional training in medical ethics and taught ethical principles to trainees and colleagues. Late in his career, he developed expertise in the health consequences of climate change and of air pollution. His scholarly work has produced over 180 peer-reviewed publications and more than 25 book chapters. He has been active in organized medicine and continues to serve on the Board of Directors of the Michigan State Medical Society.

The Regents now salute this distinguished educator, clinician, and investigator for his dedicated service by naming **Larry Junck, professor emeritus of neurology**.

**Requested by:**



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