## THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN

Regents Communication

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## **ACTION REQUEST**

Subject:

**Report of Faculty Retirement** 

Action Requested: Adoption of Retirement Memoir

G. Fredric Bolling, Ph.D., professor of mechanical engineering in the College of Engineering and Computer Science at the University of Michigan-Dearborn, retired from active faculty status on April 30, 2006.

Professor Bolling received his B.A.Sc. degree in 1954, his M.A.Sc. degree in 1955, and his Ph.D. degree in 1957, all from the University of Toronto. Following a 30-year career at Ford Motor Company, he joined the University of Michigan-Dearborn campus in 1992 as professor of mechanical engineering and director of the Manufacturing Systems Engineering Program.

As director of the Manufacturing Systems Engineering Program, Professor Bolling bolstered the manufacturing systems program and helped establish the engineering management and automotive systems engineering programs, where he created and taught the introductory and capstone courses. His tenure has been characterized by inspirational teaching and extraordinary mentorship of students. The breadth of Professor Bolling's interests is reflected in his four technical books which focus on engineering management, and his two art books. Two other books, *Real Engineering* and *Real Managing*, are awaiting publication, and a series of books targeted toward master's degree students is also in preparation.

The Regents now salute this dedicated and accomplished teacher and scholar by naming G. Fredric Bolling professor emeritus of mechanical engineering.

Requested by:

Vice President and Secretary of the University

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