## THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN

Regents Communication

## ACTION REQUEST

Adopted by the Regents July 19, 2007

Subject:

Report of Faculty Retirement

Action Requested: Adoption of Retirement Memoir

Alfred F. Hinton, M.F.A., professor of art in the School of Art & Design, retired from active faculty status on May 31, 2007.

Professor Hinton received his B.A. degree from the University of Iowa in 1967 and his M.F.A. degree from the University of Cincinnati in 1970. From 1970-77 he was an assistant professor at Western Michigan University. He joined the faculty at the University of Michigan in 1977 as associate professor of art and was promoted to professor in 1982.

Recognized as one of the nation's premier mixed-media artists, Professor Hinton uses both found and fabricated objects from which he creates abstract collages that often explore ancient symbols and mythology to find new meaning and spiritual significance. His works have been exhibited internationally and can be found in private and public collections. Commissions include *Urban Landscape-Rural Landscape*, on permanent exhibit at the State of Michigan Library and Historical Center. The University of Iowa awarded him the Distinguished Alumni Achievement Award in recognition of his professional accomplishments in 2000.

An impassioned supporter of the arts in Michigan throughout his career, he has served on the boards of numerous arts organizations, including the Michigan Council for the Arts and Concerned Citizens for the Arts. In addition to serving as juror for exhibitions and competitions, Professor Hinton has shared his expertise to further the efforts of area initiatives such as the Detroit-based Fight Aids in Africa Project.

The Regents now salute this distinguished artist and educator for his dedicated service by naming Alfred F. Hinton professor emeritus of art.

Requested by:

Sally J. Churchill

Vice President and Secretary of the University

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