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**ACTION REQUEST**

**Subject: Report of Faculty Retirement**

**Action Requested: Adoption of Retirement Memoir**

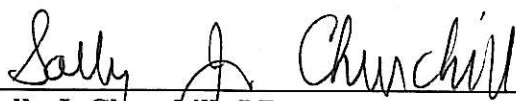
**Donna L. Algase, Ph.D.**, Josephine Sana Collegiate Professor of Nursing and professor of nursing in the School of Nursing, retired from active faculty status on May 31, 2010.

Professor Algase received her B.S.N. degree from the University of Toledo in 1976, her M.S.N. degree from the Medical College of Ohio in 1983, and her Ph.D. degree from Case Western Reserve University in 1988. She joined the University of Michigan faculty as an assistant professor of nursing in 1989, and was promoted to associate professor in 1996 and professor in 2001. She was named the Josephine Sana Collegiate Professor of Nursing in 2001.

Professor Algase's scholarship focuses on the study of cognitively impaired individuals, particularly those with Alzheimer's disease. An accomplished researcher with over \$11 million in total funding over her career, she is acknowledged as one of the foremost scientists in the field of wandering behavior as a consequence of dementia and care of the frail elderly. Her publications include over 55 articles in peer-reviewed journals, 18 editorials, 1 book, 15 book chapters, and 56 refereed abstracts. Professor Algase is a fellow of the American Academy of Nursing, the Gerontological Society of America, and the National Gerontological Nursing Association. The Sigma Theta Tau Rho Chapter gave her its Outstanding Research Award in 2004 and Education Award in 2006. She has participated in numerous regional and national professional societies, including having served as president of the Midwest Nursing Research Society and as a member of the Adults and Older Adults Study Section at the National Institutes of Health. She is also the editor of *Research and Theory for Nursing Practice*.

The Regents now salute this distinguished nursing educator for her dedicated service by naming **Donna L. Algase professor emerita of nursing**.

**Requested by:**



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