THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN

Regents Communication

ACTION REQUEST

Subject:

Report of Faculty Retirement

Action Requested:

Adoption of Retirement Memoir

Sharon L. Brooks, D.D.S., professor of dentistry, School of Dentistry and associate professor of oral and maxillofacial radiology, Department of Radiology, Medical School, will retire from active faculty status on August 31, 2010.

Dr. Brooks received her A.B. degree in 1965, her D.D.S. degree in 1973, and three M.S. degrees (1976, 1984, and 1989), all from the University of Michigan. She joined the School of Dentistry as a clinical instructor in 1973, and was promoted to assistant professor in 1976, associate professor in 1980, and professor in 1986. She was appointed associate professor in the Medical School in 1992.

For much of her tenure at the School of Dentistry, Dr. Brooks was the only oral and maxillofacial radiologist. As such, she was in charge of radiology education for dental and dental hygiene students and served as the radiation safety officer for the School of Dentistry. Among other accomplishments, she initiated a series of small group radiology seminars that significantly improved students' ability to interpret radiographs. She also established a radiology practice within the school that draws patients from around the state.

Dr. Brooks has been very active in the profession of dentistry, particularly within her specialty of oral and maxillofacial radiology. She served as president of the American Academy of Oral and Maxillofacial Radiology (2001-03) and the American Board of Oral and Maxillofacial Radiology (2008), and has been active in numerous other professional organizations. She is the editor of the international journal *Dentomaxillofacial Radiology* and is on the editorial board for several other international journals. She has been an invited speaker at many national and international meetings and has more than 50 publications in refereed journals.

The Regents now salute this distinguished faculty member for her dedicated service by naming Sharon L. Brooks professor emerita of dentistry and associate professor emerita of oral and maxillofacial radiology.

Requested by:

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