

THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN

Regents Communication

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ACTION REQUEST

Subject: Report of Faculty Retirement

Action Requested: Adoption of Retirement Memoir

Duane M. Kirking, Ph.D., professor of social and administrative sciences in the College of Pharmacy, and research scientist in the School of Public Health, retired from active faculty status on August 31, 2007.

Professor Kirking received his B.S. degree from the University of Wisconsin in 1974, his Pharm.D. degree from the University of Kentucky in 1977, and his M.A. and Ph.D. degrees from The Ohio State University in 1979 and 1980, respectively. He joined the University of Michigan faculty in 1980 as assistant professor of pharmacy administration in the College of Pharmacy and assistant professor of medical care organization in the School of Public Health. He was promoted to associate professor in both disciplines in 1987. In 1998 he was promoted to professor in the College of Pharmacy and became a research scientist in the School of Public Health.

In 2000, Professor Kirking became the first chair of the newly-created Department of Social and Administrative Sciences in the College of Pharmacy. Upon completion of his term in 2005, he was named director of the college's Center for Medication Use, Policy, and Economics. In these roles, Professor Kirking helped the college to maintain its status as one of the nation's top pharmacy schools and provided critical leadership in the development of the first graduate program in social and administrative sciences. He was a pioneer in the use of non-traditional, innovative teaching methods designed to increase student involvement in the learning process.

Professor Kirking is a noted scholar and national leader in the assessment and evaluation of the optimal use of medications in the treatment of disease. He has received many awards for his work, including the prestigious Research Achievement Award in the Pharmaceutical Sciences from the American Pharmacists Association (APhA). He is also a leader in pharmacy practice, and has served on the board of trustees of both the APhA and the United States Pharmacopeia.

The Regents now salute this distinguished educator for his dedicated service by naming **Duane M. Kirking professor emeritus of social and administrative sciences and research scientist emeritus**.

Requested by:



Sally J. Churchill

Vice President and Secretary of the University

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