## THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN

Regents Communication

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**ACTION REQUEST** 

October 25, 2007

Subject:

**Report of Faculty Retirement** 

Action Requested: Adoption of Retirement Memoir

Florence I. Mazian, Ph.D., associate professor of sociology in the College of Arts, Sciences, and Letters, University of Michigan-Dearborn, retired from active faculty status on March 31, 2007.

Professor Mazian received her B.A. and Ph.D. degrees from Wayne State University in 1969 and 1979, respectively. She joined the University of Michigan-Dearborn faculty as a lecturer in 1978 and was promoted to assistant professor in 1979, and associate professor in 1986.

Professor Mazian was a very dedicated teacher and taught a variety of sociology courses, including social problems, social psychology, criminology, prisons, and the family. She developed two new courses on campus, one on genocide and another on aging. Her research is centered on the Armenian experience. Her book, *Why Genocide? The Armenian and Jewish Experiences in Perspective*, was published in 1990 by the Iowa State University Press. She has also published a number of journal articles on the Armenian family and on gerontology. Professor Mazian is a member of the American Sociological Association and the Armenian Studies Association.

The Regents now salute this distinguished faculty member by naming Florence I. Mazian associate professor emerita of sociology.

Requested by:

Sally J. Churchill

Vice Rresident and Secretary of the University

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