## THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN

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Regents Communication

## **ACTION REQUEST**

Subject:

Report of Faculty Retirement

**Action Requested:** 

**Adoption of Retirement Memoir** 

**Patricia W. Martin, A.M.L.S.,** senior associate librarian in the University Library, retired from active faculty status on July 31, 2009.

Ms. Martin received her A.B. degree from the University of Michigan in 1967, her M.A. degree from the University of Wisconsin in 1969, and her A.M.L.S. degree from the University of Michigan in 1975. She joined the University of Michigan faculty as an assistant librarian in the Taubman Medical Library in 1993, and was promoted to associate librarian in 1994 and senior associate librarian in 1999.

Throughout her tenure at Michigan, Ms. Martin has been dedicated to providing excellent service and access to library resources. She served as head of Education and End-User Search Services from 1994-98, head of End-User Electronic Systems from 1998-2006, and liaison and InfoPoint Services librarian from 2006-09, and was a leader in establishing a Web presence for Taubman Library. She was responsible for the implementation of UM-Medsearch, a major resource for physicians, residents, faculty, and students across campus. Ms. Martin's background and concern for the quality of students' learning experience gave her opportunities to oversee the development of a growing instructional program in the health sciences. Recently, Ms. Martin was instrumental in securing funding for and managing the Michigan Health Literacy Awareness Training Program to raise awareness of health literacy issues and provide techniques and resources to improve patient care.

Ms. Martin served in a number of leadership roles within her profession, including president of the Michigan Health Sciences Libraries Association, chair of the Medical Library Association Membership Committee, and representative-at-large to the Midwest chapter of the Medical Library Association. Within the University, she served on several University Library committees and on the Librarian's Forum Board. Ms. Martin's commitment to quality and excellence in service will be greatly missed.

The Regents now salute this distinguished librarian for her dedicated service by naming **Patricia W. Martin senior associate librarian emerita.** 

Requested by:

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