

THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN
Regents Communication

ACTION REQUEST

Subject: Report of Faculty Retirement

Action Requested: Adoption of Retirement Memoir

John A. Faulkner, Ph.D., professor of molecular and integrative physiology, Medical School, and professor of biomedical engineering, College of Engineering, retired from active faculty status on June 30, 2010.

Professor Faulkner received his B.A. (1949) and B.P.H.E. (1950) degrees from Queen's University and his M.S. (1956) and Ph.D. (1962) degrees from the University of Michigan. He joined the University of Michigan faculty in 1960 as an associate supervisor of physical education and was promoted to assistant professor in 1963 and associate professor in 1966. He became associate professor of physiology in 1966 and was promoted to professor in 1971. He was appointed professor of biomedical engineering in 1974.

Professor Faulkner made significant contributions as a scholar, teacher, and administrator in the molecular and integrative physiology and biomedical engineering departments and in the Institute of Gerontology. During his tenure as associate director and as an active participant in the Institute of Gerontology and its biogerontology program, Professor Faulkner helped lead the Institute to national prominence. In 1995 and 2000, he was principal investigator of a National Institute on Aging grant that led to the Institute's funding as one of the Nathan Shock Centers of Excellence in the Biology of Aging. Professor Faulkner's superb administrative skills also played a pivotal role in the establishment of the Department of Biomedical Engineering in 1996.

An internationally recognized expert in the fields of exercise science, muscle physiology, and biogerontology, Professor Faulkner has served as an editor or on the editorial boards of the most prestigious journals in his field, and has published more than 130 journal articles and some 70 book chapters and reviews. His contributions have been recognized by the American College of Sports Medicine, the Gerontological Society of America, the American Institute of Medical and Biological Engineering, and the American Physiological Society. Professor Faulkner chaired or co-chaired 36 doctoral committees and supervised 21 postdoctoral fellows. In 1997, he received the University's Distinguished Faculty Achievement Award.

The Regents now salute this distinguished faculty member for his 50 years of dedicated service by naming **John A. Faulkner professor emeritus of molecular and integrative physiology and professor emeritus of biomedical engineering.**

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