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**ACTION REQUEST**

**Subject: Report of Faculty Retirement**

**Action Requested: Adoption of Retirement Memoir**

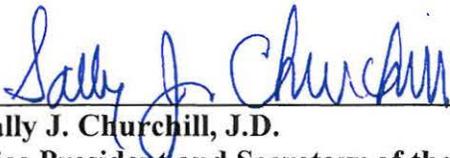
**Lynda S. Welage, Pharm.D.**, associate dean and professor of pharmacy, College of Pharmacy, and clinical pharmacist, Pharmacy Services, University Hospitals, retired from active faculty status on December 31, 2011.

Professor Welage received her B.S. degree from the University of Michigan in 1981 and her Pharm.D. degree from the University at Buffalo, The State University of New York in 1983. After completing a fellowship at the Millard Fillmore Hospital in Buffalo in 1985, she remained as a clinical pharmacist and joined the University at Buffalo's faculty as a clinical instructor. She was promoted to clinical assistant professor and became program director for critical care in the Millard Fillmore Hospital Surgical Intensive Care Unit in 1986. She joined the University of Michigan faculty as an assistant professor and clinical pharmacist in 1988, and was promoted to associate professor in 1995, and professor in 2004. She was appointed associate dean for academic affairs in 2004.

Professor Welage excelled as a clinician, educator, and researcher, and is well known nationally as an expert in critical care and authority on drug absorption. She was a key participant in the University's successful application for a federal Clinical and Translational Science Award, was involved in the Michigan Institute for Clinical Health Research (MICHR) since its inception, and has served as associate director of MICHR since 2009. Under her leadership, first as chair of the curriculum committee and then as associate dean for academic affairs, major improvements were made in the curriculum. Professor Welage has also had a tremendous impact on innovative teaching in both the didactic and clinical environments. Her contributions to an interactive, case-based computer program that helps students master important clinical practice skills were recognized with a Computerworld Award from the Smithsonian National Museum of American History in 2003. She and her colleagues also received the Hope Clinic Community Partnership Award in 2010. A tireless mentor to an exceptionally large number of pharmacy students, fellows, and residents, she has received several teaching awards, including the college's Excellence in Teaching Award in 2000.

The Regents now salute this distinguished faculty member for her dedicated service by naming **Lynda S. Welage professor emerita of pharmacy**.

**Requested by:**



**Sally J. Churchill, J.D.**  
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