Subject: Report of Faculty Retirement
Action Requested: Adoption of Retirement Memoir

Patricia B. Mullan, Ph.D., professor of learning health sciences in the Medical School, retired from active faculty status on December 31, 2018.

Dr. Mullan received her B.S. and Ph.D. degrees from Wayne State University in 1976 and 1984, respectively. She served as a program associate (1984-89) and lecturer (1989-91) at the University of Michigan. Dr. Mullan joined the faculty of Michigan State University as an assistant professor in 1991, and was promoted to associate professor in 1998. She returned to the University of Michigan faculty as an associate professor in 2005, and was promoted to professor in 2009.

Dr. Mullan was an internationally recognized health professions educator and researcher. Her overarching area of scholarly focus was the theory and practice of evaluating medical educational programs designed to promote compassionate and competent care. In international medical education research, her work focused on the design and evaluation of the assessment infrastructure of medical schools. At the University of Michigan, her teaching and leadership responsibilities included serving as the director of the nationally acclaimed Medical Education Scholars Program for faculty development. Since 1998, Dr. Mullan has served as principal or co-principal investigator for 15 externally funded educational and health services research projects, primarily focused on health professions education. She authored and co-authored over 100 peer-reviewed publications, including six publications that were recognized by national organizations. Dr. Mullan also held leadership positions in a number of national and international cancer education organizations, including as president of the national American Association for Cancer Education.

The Regents now salute this distinguished scholar and teacher by naming Patricia B. Mullan, professor emerita of learning health sciences.

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