THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN

Regents Communication

ACTION REQUEST

Subject: Report of Faculty Retirement

Action Requested: Adoption of Retirement Memoir

Jamile Trueba Lawand, Ph.D., associate professor of foreign languages in the University of Michigan-Flint College of Arts and Sciences (CAS), retired from active faculty status on May 31, 2020.

Professor Lawand received her Licenciado degree (M.A. equivalent) from the University of Seville in 1985 and her Ph.D. degree from the University of Michigan-Ann Arbor in 1992. She joined the University of Michigan-Flint as an assistant professor in 1995 and was promoted to associate professor in 2000.

Professor Lawand's leadership in teaching, research, and service was laudable. At the University of Michigan-Flint, she had instructional responsibility in several programs: Spanish Language and Literature, Middle Eastern Studies, University Honors Scholar Program, and the First Year Experience (General Education Program). Professor Lawand also taught courses in Hispanic culture (Latin America, Spain, U.S.) and 20th-Century French literature in translation. Her faculty governance and administrative work include: member of the Honors Council (2017-20), honors representative (2012-20), member of the Academic Affairs Advisory Committee (2008-11), director of the Middle Eastern Studies Program (2007-20), coordinator of the Comparative and General Literature Program (2006-20), chair of the Faculty Council (2005-06), head of the Spanish Section (2001-05, 2017-20), member of the CAS Executive Committee (2001-04), and chair of the Department of Foreign Languages (2005-08, 2011-17; Acting, Summer-Fall 2000). In her research, Professor Lawand published a book titled El arte epistolar en el Renacimiento español (1996) and articles in a number of refereed journals, including Romance Notes, Romance Languages Annual, and Michigan Academician, as well as an article in honor of her mentor Professor Luisa López Grigera in Festschrift. Following her tenure, she published two refereed articles on Spanish Renaissance rhetoric at the Universidad Nacional Autónoma de México. Most recently, Professor Lawand redirected her research to study the paragone in early Modern Spain, stemming from the work of her colleague Professor Sarah Jordan Lippert and from her own interest in the arts as a trustee of the Flint Institute of Arts.

The Regents now salute this distinguished faculty member for her dedicated service by naming Jamile Trueba Lawand, associate professor emerita of foreign languages.

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