

THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN
Regents Communication

ACTION REQUEST

Subject: Report of Faculty Retirement

Action Requested: Adoption of Retirement Memoir

Raymond P. Kettel, Ed.D., associate professor of education in the School of Education, University of Michigan-Dearborn, retired from active faculty status on December 31, 2010.

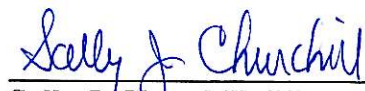
Professor Kettel received his B.S., M.Ed., and Ed.D. degrees from Wayne State University in 1966, 1972, and 1981, respectively. He served as a Peace Corps volunteer in the Philippines from 1967-69, and held numerous educational positions in the Detroit Public Schools from 1969-88. He joined the University of Michigan-Dearborn faculty as an assistant professor in 1988 and was promoted to associate professor in 1994.

Professor Kettel is widely regarded for his expertise in the area of children's literature and for his innovative contributions to the teaching of reading and language arts. His publications have appeared in such journals as *The Reading Teacher*, *English Journal*, *Storytelling World*, *Voices from the Middle*, and the American Library Association's *Book Links*. He directed both the CLUE ME IN project, a motivational reading program for young readers, and the ASK program, which encouraged students at the college and pre-college levels to delve deeply into literature by interviewing authors. His knowledge of children's literature was instrumental in assembling the Mardigian Library's Juvenile Historic Collection, which is one of the most important historical collections of children's literature in the United States.

Professor Kettel was active in the International Reading Association and the Michigan Reading Association, and he served on the board of directors of the Michigan Reading Association from 1982-85. He has received numerous awards, including the University of Michigan-Dearborn's Distinguished Teaching Award (1993) and the Michigan Reading Association's Teacher Educator Award (2005). In 1995, he was named "Most Inspirational Faculty Member" by the UM-Dearborn Association of Educators, and in 2005 the UM-Dearborn Alumni Society named him "Faculty Member of the Year."

The Regents now salute this distinguished educator for his dedicated service by naming **Raymond P. Kettel associate professor emeritus of education.**

Requested by:



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