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

Ned L. Kirsch, Ph.D., clinical associate professor of physical medicine and rehabilitation in the Medical School and adjunct associate professor of psychology in the College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, retired from active faculty status on December 30, 2016.

Professor Kirsch received his B.A. degree from the Brooklyn College of the City University of New York in 1970 and his Ph.D. degree from the University of Colorado Boulder in 1978. He completed a clinical psychology internship at the Connecticut Valley Hospital (1976-77) and an advanced clinical psychology internship at Yale University (1977-78). He joined the University of Michigan faculty as an instructor in 1981, and was promoted to lecturer in 1985, clinical assistant professor in 1995, and clinical associate professor in 2004.

Professor Kirsch is a leader in the fields of neurorehabilitation and neuropsychology. His research explored a number of topics, including neuropsychological assessments, the efficacy of psycho-stimulants for the treatment of post-traumatic attentional disorders, assistive technologies for cognition, predictors of persisting post-concussion symptoms after mild brain injury, the accommodation to chronic neuropsychological deficits, and outcomes after traumatic brain injury. Professor Kirsch authored numerous peer-reviewed publications, three book chapters, and a number of abstracts. His research has been published in the American Journal of Emergency Medicine, the Archives of Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation, The Journal of Head Trauma Rehabilitation, and the Journal of Rehabilitation Research and Development. An enthusiastic educator and dedicated mentor, he generously shared his time and expertise with a generation of graduate students, post-doctoral fellows, and colleagues. Dr. Kirsch was actively involved in a number of professional organizations, including the American Congress of Rehabilitation Medicine, the American Psychological Association, the International Neuropsychological Society, and the National Academy of Neuropsychology.

The Regents now salute this distinguished faculty member by naming Ned L. Kirsch, clinical associate professor emeritus of physical medicine and rehabilitation.

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