

THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN

Regents Communication

ACTION REQUEST

Subject: Report of Faculty Retirement

Action Requested: Adoption of Retirement Memoir

John D. Kalbfleisch, Ph.D., professor of biostatistics in the School of Public Health, and professor of statistics in the College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, retired from active faculty status on January 31, 2012.

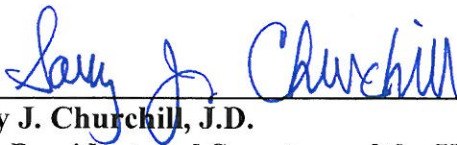
Professor Kalbfleisch received his B.Sc., M.Math, and Ph.D. degrees from the University of Waterloo in 1966, 1967, 1969, respectively. From 1970-73, he was an assistant professor at the University at Buffalo, State University of New York, and from 1973-2001, he was a faculty member at the University of Waterloo. Professor Kalbfleisch joined the University of Michigan faculty as professor and chair of the Department of Biostatistics in January 2002, and was appointed professor of statistics in September 2002.

Professor Kalbfleisch's research focuses on survival and life history analysis, modeling, analysis of mixture models, and general areas of statistical methodology, including likelihood methods of inference, resampling and bootstrap techniques, and the analysis of correlated data. He has extensive experience in clinical trials and many other application areas. He has authored or co-authored numerous articles on statistical methodology, and co-authored, with R.L. Prentice, the widely-referenced book, *The Statistical Analysis of Failure Time Data* (1980). As chair of the Department of Biostatistics, he instituted several financial management practices and was an articulate proponent of the department's growth model. Following his service as chair, he was appointed director of the Kidney Epidemiology and Cost Center (KECC), which conducts research relating to kidney disease and its ramifications.

Professor Kalbfleisch has held visiting appointments at the University College London, the Institut Jules Bordet, the University of Auckland, and the National University of Singapore. He is a fellow of the Royal Society of Canada and of the American Statistical Association. He received the Gold Medal from the Statistical Society of Canada (1994), the R.A. Fisher Award from the Committee of Presidents of Statistical Societies (1999), and the Excellence in Research Award from the School of Public Health (2011).

The Regents now salute this distinguished faculty member by naming **John D. Kalbfleisch professor emeritus of biostatistics and professor emeritus of statistics.**

Requested by:



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