The Regents of the University of Michigan acknowledge with profound sadness the death of Bruce A. Crider, M.D., clinical assistant professor of anesthesiology in the Medical School. Dr. Crider died on January 29, 2018.

Dr. Crider received his B.A. degree from the University of Toledo in 1977 and his M.D. degree from the Medical College of Ohio in 1982. He completed an internship (1983-84) at the Medical College of Ohio and an anesthesiology residency (1984-86) at the University of Michigan. He joined the University of Michigan faculty as an instructor in 1986, and was promoted to clinical assistant professor in 1991.

An exceptional anesthesiologist, Dr. Crider was highly respected by his fellow anesthesiologists, surgeons, house officers, and nursing staff. His research explored an array of topics, including the hemodynamic effects of prostaglandin E1 during liver transplantation, the use of 17 French Bio-Medicus Cannulae for the dual purpose of transfusion and veno-veno bypass during liver transplantation, the verification of a predictive model for FIO2 in an anesthetic circle system of low flows, and tromethamine versus sodium bicarbonate in liver transplants. Dr. Crider’s research was published in a number of leading peer-reviewed journals, including Anesthesia & Analgesia, Anesthesiology, the British Journal of Anesthesia, the Canadian Journal of Anesthesia, Hepatology, the Journal of Cardiothoracic Anesthesia, the Journal of Urology, and Surgery. He authored book chapters in Complications in Anesthesia (1999), Wylie and Churchill-Davidson’s: A Practice of Anesthesia (2003), and Hand Secrets (2006). A gifted instructor and dedicated mentor, Dr. Crider believed in the importance of teaching both good clinical skills as well as good clinical judgement. He was also a founding member of the department’s Liver Transplant Anesthesia Team. Dr. Crider was a member of both the American Society of Anesthesiologists and the Michigan Society of Anesthesiologists since 1987.

As we mourn the loss of our beloved colleague, we also extend our heartfelt condolences to his wife, Deborah, and his many loving relatives and friends.

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