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ACTION REQUEST

Subject: Report of Faculty Retirement

Action Requested: Adoption of Retirement Memoir

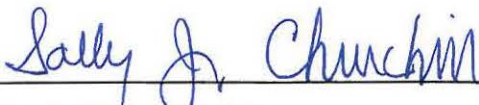
Rheta N. Rubenstein, Ph.D., professor of mathematics and statistics, College of Arts, Sciences, and Letters, University of Michigan-Dearborn, will retire from active faculty status on April 30, 2016.

Professor Rubenstein received her B.A. (1968) degree from the University of Michigan and her M.Ed. (1973) and Ph.D. (1982) degrees from Wayne State University. She worked in the Detroit Public Schools from 1969-89. Professor Rubenstein served on the faculties of the University of Windsor (1989-96) and Schoolcraft College (1996-2001). She joined the University of Michigan-Dearborn faculty as an associate professor in 2001, and was promoted to professor in 2004.

Professor Rubenstein's scholarly work focused on K-12 curriculum, communication in mathematics education, and instruction in mathematics teacher education. She served as a co-principal investigator on two research projects, funded by the National Science Foundation, entitled "Preparing Elementary Mathematics Teachers for Success: Implementing a Research-Based Mathematics Curriculum" (1999-2001) and "A Problem and Reasoning Based Curriculum for Preservice Elementary Educators" (2003-06). Professor Rubenstein co-authored a number of influential books including *Teaching and Learning Middle Grades Mathematics* (2004), *Mathematical Literacy: Helping Students Make Meaning in the Middle Grades* (2008), and *Teaching and Learning High School Mathematics* (2010). She was actively involved in several professional associations, including the Association of Mathematics Teacher Educators, the Michigan Council of Teachers of Mathematics, and the National Council of Teachers of Mathematics. Professor Rubenstein has served diligently on several university-wide, college, and departmental committees. Most notably, she played an instrumental role in the development of the Master of Arts in education with a specialization in mathematics education enhancement and leadership degree program.

The Regents now salute this distinguished faculty member by naming **Rheta N. Rubenstein, professor emerita of mathematics and statistics.**

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