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ACTION REQUEST

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Subject: Report of Faculty Retirement

Action Requested: Adoption of Retirement Memoir

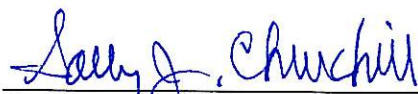
Eugene A. Imhoff Jr., Ph.D., Ernst and Young Professor of Accounting and professor of accounting in the Stephen M. Ross School of Business, will retire from active faculty status on May 31, 2010.

Professor Imhoff received his B.B.A. and M.B.A. degrees from Western Michigan University in 1967 and 1968, respectively, and his Ph.D. degree from Michigan State University in 1973. From 1973-77 he served on the faculty of Syracuse University. He joined the University of Michigan faculty as a visiting lecturer in 1977. He was promoted to associate professor of accounting in 1978, was awarded tenure in 1980, and was promoted to professor in 1983. Professor Imhoff was appointed to the Ernst and Whinney Professorship in Accounting in 1984; the title was changed to the Ernst and Young Professorship in 1990.

Professor Imhoff's research focused on understanding and improving accounting practices and accounting education. In particular, he sought to determine if capital markets efficiently process the information found in firm disclosures. More recently, he has investigated off-balance sheet leasing. Within the Ross School, Professor Imhoff served as chair of the accounting area (1991-2001) and director of the Paton Accounting Center (2001-04). His leadership was instrumental in redeveloping and strengthening the accounting curriculum and recruiting and retaining an exceptionally strong accounting faculty, leading to recognition of the accounting program as one of the best in the nation. He was deeply committed to doctoral education, and many of his former students have achieved successful careers in academics and business. Professor Imhoff was a member of the accounting advisory board and a consulting editor for the Bureau of National Affairs and was active in the American Accounting Association. He served as editor of *Accounting Horizons* and was on the editorial boards of the *Journal of Accounting Research*, *Management Science*, and *The Financial Review*. Within the Ross School, he received the Student Award for Teaching Excellence (1988) and the Contribution to the Research Environment Award (2003).

The Regents now salute this distinguished faculty member by naming **Eugene A. Imhoff Jr. professor emeritus of accounting.**

Requested by:



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