THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN

Regents Communication

ACTION REQUEST

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

Joanne F. Carlisle, Ph.D., professor of education in the School of Education, will retire from active faculty status on May 31, 2012.

Professor Carlisle received her B.A. degree from Vassar College in 1964, and her M.A. and Ph.D. degrees from the University of Connecticut in 1981 and 1984, respectively. From 1964-84, she taught and held leadership positions at K-12 schools in New York and Connecticut. From 1984-87, she was on the faculty of American International College. She joined the faculty of Northwestern University in 1987, where she served as director of the Language and Cognition Interdisciplinary Program from 1992-2000. She joined the University of Michigan faculty in 2000 as professor of education and research scientist in the Institute of Human Adjustment.

From 2000-02, Professor Carlisle was a research scientist in the Communicative Disorders Clinic, and from 2001-03, she was co-director of the Center for the Improvement of Early Reading Achievement in the School of Education. Her research focused on the relationship between language and literacy development, with a special interest in children for whom language and literacy acquisition present unusual challenges. More recently, her research projects have focused on the effective teaching of reading in the early elementary years. She taught courses in language development, reading acquisition, and differentiating instruction in reading. She was also responsible for the evaluation of the Reading First program in Michigan.

The Regents now salute this distinguished faculty member by naming Joanne F. Carlisle professor emerita of education.

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