

THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN

*Regents Communication*

**ACTION REQUEST**

**Subject: Report of Faculty Retirement**

**Action Requested: Adoption of Retirement Memoir**

**Eric J. Hill, Ph.D.**, clinical professor of practice in architecture in the A. Alfred Taubman College of Architecture and Urban Planning, will retire from active faculty status on May 31, 2017.

Professor Hill received his B.A. (1970) degree from the University of Pennsylvania, his M.Arch. (1972) degree from Harvard University, and his Ph.D. (1976) degree from the University of Pennsylvania. He held a number of University of Michigan faculty positions, including adjunct associate professor (1993-95), adjunct professor (1995-2004), lecturer (2004-05), and clinical professor (2005-17). Additionally, Professor Hill has had a distinguished career as a practicing architect serving as the chief operating officer at Rossetti Associates (1989-95), the director of urban design and planning at Albert Kahn Associates (1995-2004), and the Ann Arbor office director at Lord Aeck & Sargent Architecture (2005-11) before opening his own firm in 2011.

Professor Hill's unique combination of experience in highly-regarded and award-winning architectural practices, effective and influential teaching, and exemplary service to both the academy and the profession have benefitted the college immensely. He is a registered architect and a LEED accredited professional with the U.S. Green Building Council. Professor Hill taught courses in professional practice and design entrepreneurship, was a member of the doctoral faculty in architecture, and an affiliated faculty member with the University of Michigan Center for Entrepreneurship. Professor Hill is a member of the American Institute of Architects (AIA) and was elected to AIA's College of Fellows, the highest membership honor a member can receive for exceptional work and contributions to architecture and society. He has also received the Gold Medal Award (2002) from the AIA Detroit Chapter and is a co-author of *AIA Detroit: The American Institute of Architects Guide to Detroit Architecture* (2002). Professor Hill is a past board member of AIA Detroit, AIA Michigan, and the Michigan Architectural Foundation. He also served as coordinator for the Intern Development Program for the Detroit region and the state of Michigan as well as the Taubman College architect licensing advisor for the Intern Development Program of the National Council of Architectural Registration Boards.

The Regents now salute this distinguished faculty member by naming **Eric J. Hill, clinical professor emeritus of practice in architecture**.

**Requested by:**



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