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ACTION REQUEST

Subject: Report of Faculty Retirement

Action Requested: Adoption of Retirement Memoir

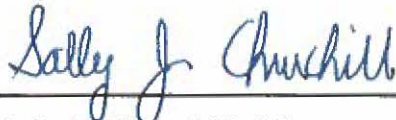
Ronald F. Inglehart, Ph.D., Amy and Alan Lowenstein Professor of Democracy, Democratization, and Human Rights and professor of political science in the College of Literature, Science, and the Arts; and research professor in the Center for Political Studies in the Institute for Social Research, retired from active faculty status on May 31, 2018.

Professor Inglehart received his B.A. degree from Northwestern University in 1956, and his M.A. and Ph.D. degrees from the University of Chicago in 1962 and 1967, respectively. He joined the University of Michigan faculty as an assistant professor in 1967, and was promoted to associate professor in 1972, and professor in 1978. Professor Inglehart held additional appointments in the Institute for Social Research. He was named the Amy and Alan Lowenstein Professor of Democracy, Democratization, and Human Rights in 2009.

Professor Inglehart is a leader in the fields of comparative government and politics, political development, and political psychology. His courses focused on democratization in global perspectives and comparative politics, more generally. Professor Inglehart created the study of postmaterialism, which, as he describes it, is a “value orientation that emphasizes self-expression and quality of life over economic and physical security.” His many influential books and articles centered on changing belief systems and their impact on social and political change. Professor Inglehart helped found the Euro-Barometer surveys and has served as the long-term director of the World Values Survey. The latter has surveyed representative national samples of the publics of some 100 countries that collectively contain almost 90 percent of the world’s population. He was also the co-director of the Laboratory for Comparative Social Research at the Higher School of Economics in St. Petersburg, Russia. Professor Inglehart was a visiting professor or visiting scholar in Brazil, France, Germany, Japan, the Netherlands, New Zealand, Nigeria, South Korea, Switzerland, and Taiwan, and served as a consultant to the U.S. Department of State and the European Union. He is a fellow of both the American Academy of Arts and Sciences and the American Academy of Political and Social Science.

The Regents now salute this distinguished scholar by naming **Ronald F. Inglehart, Amy and Alan Lowenstein Professor Emeritus of Democracy, Democratization, and Human Rights, professor emeritus of political science, and research professor emeritus.**

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