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**ACTION REQUEST**

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

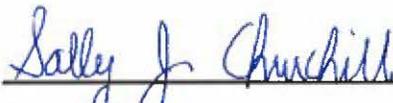
**Judith M. Connett, Ph.D.**, research assistant professor, pathology in the Medical School, retired from active faculty status on May 2, 2019.

Professor Connett received her B.A. (1968) degree from the University of Chicago and her Ph.D. (1979) degree from Washington University in St. Louis. She served on the Washington University in St. Louis faculty from 1982-2002. She joined the University of Michigan faculty as an assistant research scientist in the Department of Surgery in 2002, and was promoted to research assistant professor in 2003. Professor Connett then joined the faculty of the Department of Pathology as a research assistant professor in 2006.

Professor Connett's work in the Department of Surgery focused on breast cancer as a researcher, immunologist, and cell biologist. In her prior career at Washington University, Professor Connett succeeded in having four investigational new drugs approved by the FDA. MAb 1A3, the anti-colon cancer monoclonal antibody Professor Connett developed, was entered into four different clinical trials, which showed its efficacy in positron emission tomography imaging studies in human colon cancer patients. One of these images was selected for the cover of the *Journal of Nuclear Medicine*. In the Department of Pathology, Professor Connett was hired as a science writer, editor, and critical reviewer of grant proposal submissions and manuscripts. She was successfully awarded over twenty grants throughout the course of her academic career. In addition, she has helped countless principal investigators, students, fellows, young M.D.s, junior faculty, and visiting scholars to edit and write all levels of grant proposals for submission to the NIH and other granting agencies. Professor Connett was a member of a number of professional societies, such as the American Association for the Advancement of Science, the Society of Nuclear Medicine, and the American Association for Cancer Research.

The Regents now salute this distinguished faculty member by naming **Judith M. Connett, research assistant professor emerita, pathology**.

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