Subject: Report of Faculty Retirement

Action Requested: Adoption of Retirement Memoir

Arnold G. Coran, M.D., professor of surgery in the Medical School, retired from active faculty status on May 31, 2007, after a productive career as a clinician, teacher, researcher, and administrator.

Dr. Coran received his A.B. degree from Harvard College in 1959 and his M.D. degree from Harvard Medical School in 1963. From 1963-1969 he completed his training in general and thoracic surgery at the Peter Bent Brigham Hospital and in pediatric surgery at the Children’s Hospital Medical Center in Boston. From 1970-1974 he held positions at the medical schools of George Washington University (1970-72) and the University of Southern California (1972-74). He joined the University of Michigan Medical School as professor of surgery and head of the Section of Pediatric Surgery, Department of Surgery, in 1974. From 1983-2005 he held an additional appointment as professor of surgery in the Department of Pediatrics and Communicable Diseases, and from 1981-2005 he was also surgeon-in-chief at C.S. Mott Children’s Hospital.

Dr. Coran has contributed extensively in the field of pediatric surgery, parenteral and enteral nutrition, shock in children, bacterial translocation in the neonate, extracorporeal membrane oxygenation in pediatric respiratory failure, esophageal surgery in children, Hirschsprung Disease, inflammatory bowel disease, and studies of cancer in children. He has authored over 409 journal articles, 111 book chapters, and 21 books. Dr. Coran is a member of the American Surgical Association, the Society of University Surgeons, and many other national and international organizations. He is the past chairman of the executive committee of the surgical section of the American Academy of Pediatrics and is past president of the American Pediatric Surgical Association and the Association of Pediatric Surgery Training Program Directors. Currently, he is president of the World Federation of Associations of Pediatric Surgeons, co-editor-in-chief of Pediatric Surgery International, and associate editor of the Journal of Pediatric Surgery. He has been a frequent invited lecturer and visiting professor throughout the world.

The Regents now salute this distinguished medical scholar for his dedicated service by naming Arnold G. Coran professor emeritus of surgery.

Requested by:

Sally J. Churchill
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