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ACTION REQUEST

Subject: Report of Faculty Retirement

Action Requested: Adoption of Retirement Memoir

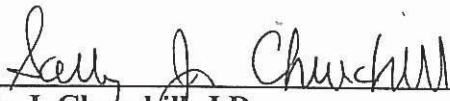
Gail D. Winger, Ph.D., research professor, Department of Pharmacology, Medical School, retired from active faculty status on March 31, 2009.

Professor Winger received her B.A. degree from the University of California, Berkeley in 1965, and her Ph.D. and M.S. degrees from the University of Michigan in 1970 and 1971 respectively. She was a post-graduate research associate at Rutgers University from 1970-71, and from 1972-75 she was a faculty member in the Department of Psychiatry at Downstate Medical Center, State University of New York, Brooklyn, and then at The Johns Hopkins University Medical School. She joined the University of Michigan faculty in 1975 as an assistant research scientist in the Department of Pharmacology, and was promoted to associate research scientist in 1989, research scientist in 1995, and senior research scientist in 1997. She was named research professor in 2003.

Throughout her career, Professor Winger has studied the effects of drugs of abuse in rhesus monkeys. Most recently, her research has focused on behavioral economic procedures that permit the direct comparison of the reinforcing effects of a range of drugs. This work, in collaboration with a preeminent behavioral economist, was the first to demonstrate individual differences in sensitivity to the reinforcing effects of drugs of abuse in rhesus monkeys. Professor Winger has published over 100 papers on the behavioral, and specifically the reinforcing effects, of drugs of abuse, and she is co-author of *A Handbook on Drug and Alcohol Abuse* (Oxford University Press), the fourth edition of which was published in 2004. Professor Winger served on departmental and school committees, including three terms on the Medical School's Advisory Committee on Primary Research Appointments, Promotions, and Titles, which she chaired in 1978. Nationally, Professor Winger is a member of the Biobehavioral Regulation, Learning, and Ethology Study Section for the National Institutes of Health.

The Regents now salute this distinguished investigator by naming **Gail D. Winger research professor emerita**.

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