THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN
Regents Communication

ACTION REQUEST

Subject: Report of Faculty Death

Action Requested: Adoption of Memorial Statement

The Regents of the University of Michigan acknowledge with profound sadness the death of Natalia G. Andronova, Ph.D., research scientist, atmospheric, oceanic, and space sciences, in the College of Engineering. Dr. Andronova died on June 1, 2014, after a courageous battle with cancer.

Dr. Andronova received her B.S. and M.S. degrees from Leningrad State University in 1973 and 1975, respectively. She received her second B.S. degree from the Leningrad School of Public Education in 1984 and her Ph.D. degree from the A.M. Obukhov Institute of Atmospheric Physics, Russian Academy of Sciences in 1993. She worked as a research assistant (1975-78) and scientific researcher (1978-91) at the Main Geophysical Observatory in Leningrad, U.S.S.R. She served as a visiting scientist (1991-92), research specialist (1992-2005), and assistant research professor (1992-2005) at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign. Dr. Andronova joined the University of Michigan faculty as a research scientist in 2005.

A renowned and accomplished scientist, Dr. Andronova studied global and regional climate change, climate sensitivity to natural and anthropogenic forcing, and interactions between the atmosphere and biosphere. She published numerous articles in the leading scientific journals and co-authored the book Radiative-Photochemical Models of the Atmosphere (1986). Dr. Andronova contributed to the reports of the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change which was awarded the Nobel Peace Prize in 2007. She was actively involved with the American Geophysical Union’s Atmospheric Science and Climate Dynamics section and the American Association for the Advancement of Science. A gifted teacher and dedicated mentor, Dr. Andronova played an instrumental role in the development and implementation of the Master of Engineering in Applied Climate degree program. She received the Department of Atmospheric, Oceanic, and Space Sciences’ Faculty Award in 2014. Dr. Andronova will be remembered for her in-depth subject knowledge, generosity of spirit, and ability to inspire her students and colleagues.

As we mourn the loss of our beloved colleague, we also extend our heartfelt condolences to her sons Savva and Sam, and her many loving relatives and friends.

Requested by:

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Vice President and Secretary of the University

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