Subject: Report of Faculty Retirement
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Amiram Vinokur, Ph.D., research professor and associate director of the Michigan Prevention Research Center, in the Survey Research Center, Institute for Social Research, retired from active faculty status on April 30, 2015.

Professor Vinokur received his B.A. degree from Hebrew University in 1966 and his M.A. and Ph.D. degrees from the University of Michigan in 1969 and 1970, respectively. He joined the University of Michigan faculty as a visiting associate research scientist in 1979, and was promoted to associate research scientist in 1981, research scientist in 1994, and senior research scientist (now research professor) in 1997. Professor Vinokur served as associate director of the Michigan Prevention Research Center from 1995-2015.

Professor Vinokur’s research focused on the determinants and consequences of stress in the areas of health, work, and unemployment, and on the roles of social support and social undermining in the coping processes. His research activities included the design, implementation, and evaluation of preventive interventions for unemployed persons utilizing randomized field experiments, follow-up surveys, and benefit-cost analyses. Dr. Vinokur played an instrumental role in the design of a preventive intervention for unemployed job seekers that has been recognized by the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration as a model prevention program. His research has also studied current and former members of the United States Armed Forces, patients with breast cancer, and organ donation participation. In recent years, Professor Vinokur taught courses and published papers that focused on analyses using structural equation modeling methods. He received the National Mental Health Association Lela Rowland Prevention Award in 1990.

The Regents now salute this distinguished scholar by naming Amiram Vinokur, research professor emeritus.

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