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ACTION REQUEST

Subject: Report of Faculty Retirement

Action Requested: Adoption of Retirement Memoir

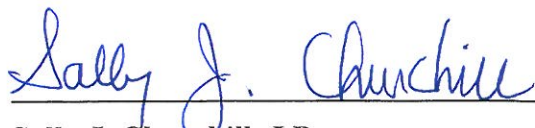
J. David Allan, Ph.D., professor of conservation biology and ecosystem management in the School of Natural Resources and Environment, will retire from active faculty status on August 31, 2015.

Professor Allan received his B.Sc. (1966) degree from the University of British Columbia and his M.S. (1968) and Ph.D. (1971) degrees from the University of Michigan. He began his career at the University of Maryland as an assistant professor in 1972, and was promoted to associate professor in 1977, and professor in 1984. Professor Allan joined the University of Michigan faculty as a professor in 1990. He served as associate dean for academic affairs (2007-10), acting dean (2008-09), and interim dean (2011).

Professor Allan is a leading authority on the influence of human activities on the conditions of rivers and their watersheds, the impact of land use on stream health, the assessment of variation in flow regime, and the estimation of nutrient loads and budgets. His recent collaborative research endeavors leveraged comprehensive spatial assessments, common data standards, and pooled information to create useful products for the management, conservation, and restoration of running waters. Professor Allan authored or co-authored more than 100 peer-reviewed articles in the leading journals and three books including *Streams: Their Ecology and Life* (2001) and *Stream Ecology: Structure and Function of Running Waters* (2007). He was an exceptional teacher and supportive mentor to his countless students and post-doctoral associates, many of whom have gone on to distinguished academic, government, and environmental conservation careers. Professor Allan received the Horace H. Rackham School of Graduate Studies' Distinguished Faculty Achievement Award in 2010.

The Regents now salute this distinguished faculty member by naming **J. David Allan, professor emeritus of conservation biology and ecosystem management.**

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