THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN

Regents Communication

ACTION REQUEST

Subject:

Report of Faculty Retirement

Action Requested:

Adoption of Retirement Memoir

Charles N. Ellis, M.D., William B. Taylor Endowed Professor of Clinical Dermatology and professor of dermatology in the Medical School, retired from active faculty status on June 30, 2018.

Dr. Ellis received his B.S. and M.D. degrees from the University of Michigan in 1973 and 1977, respectively. He completed an internship (1977-78) and residency (1978-81) at the University of Michigan. Dr. Ellis joined the University of Michigan faculty as an assistant professor in 1981, and was promoted to associate professor in 1986, and professor in 1990. He was named William B. Taylor Endowed Professor of Clinical Dermatology in 2008. Dr. Ellis held a number of leadership positions, including associate chair, residency program director, service chief, and director of clinical research, all within the Department of Dermatology; chief of dermatology in the Veterans Affairs Ann Arbor Healthcare System; and co-director of the Service Excellence Department in Michigan Medicine.

Dr. Ellis played an instrumental role in the training and development of 30 years of dermatology residents. He assisted with fundraising efforts that resulted in the establishment of three named professorships in the Department of Dermatology. Dr. Ellis was named to the Best Doctors in America list by his physician peers every year since 1994. He earned international recognition for his work in clinical research, with special expertise in psoriasis and atopic dermatitis. Dr. Ellis published more than 240 peer-reviewed journal articles, 100 abstracts, and 30 book chapters. He co-authored seminal works on retinoid therapy of psoriasis and of photoaged skin; immunomodulatory treatments for psoriasis, including the first biologic therapy; and the measurement of severity of psoriasis, all of which contributed to pivotal developments in clinical research and therapeutics in dermatology. Dr. Ellis served on the editorial boards of the Journal of the American Academy of Dermatology and the Journal of Dermatological Treatment, among others. He received the University of Michigan's H.R. Johnson Award for Leadership in Diversity in 1997. Dr. Ellis was selected as an inaugural member of the Medical School's League of Educational Excellence in 2013 and named an honored member of the American Academy of Dermatology in 2016.

The Regents now salute this distinguished faculty member by naming Charles N. Ellis, professor emeritus of dermatology.

Requested by:

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