THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN
Regents Communication

ACTION REQUEST

Subject: Report of Faculty Retirement
Action Requested: Adoption of Retirement Memoir

Michael J. Wiley, Ph.D., professor of environment and sustainability in the School for Environment and Sustainability, retired from active faculty status on March 30, 2018.

Professor Wiley received his B.G.S. (1973), M.S. (1976), and Ph.D. (1980) degrees from the University of Michigan. He joined the University of Michigan faculty as an assistant professor in 1987, and was promoted to associate professor in 1993, and professor in 2003. He was appointed the Theodore Roosevelt Professor of Ecosystem Management from 2008-13.

Professor Wiley is a preeminent scholar in the field of ecology. His research interests explored a number of topics, including the ecology of rivers and lakes, watershed management, community dynamics and population regulation, trout stream food webs, behavioral adaptations of aquatic insects, fish-invertebrate interactions, and fisheries management in North America and Southeast Asia. In recognition of his extraordinary teaching and professional achievements, he received the Justin Leonard Award from the Michigan Chapter of the American Fisheries Society in 2011. A gifted teacher and dedicated mentor, Professor Wiley will be remembered by a generation of students for his engaging and invaluable interactions during lectures and labs as well as in the field. He received the Faculty Teaching Award from the Program in the Environment in 2004. Additionally, during his tenure at the School for Environment and Sustainability, he served on several external boards and committees, including the Great Lakes Commission River Mouth Collaboratory, the Huron River Watershed Council SAP-Technical Advisory Committee, and a committee tasked with reviewing the Environmental Protection Agency’s Environmental Monitoring and Assessment Program.

The Regents now salute this distinguished faculty member by naming Michael J. Wiley, professor emeritus of environment and sustainability.

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