

THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN

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ACTION REQUEST

Subject: Report of Faculty Retirement

Action Requested: Adoption of Retirement Memoir

George W. Taylor, D.M.D., Dr.P.H., professor of dentistry, School of Dentistry, and professor of epidemiology, School of Public Health, retired from active faculty status on August 31, 2011.

Dr. Taylor received his D.M.D. degree from Harvard University in 1974, and his M.P.H. and Dr.P.H. degrees from the University of Michigan in 1982 and 1994, respectively. He joined the faculty of the School of Dentistry as an assistant professor in 1993, and was promoted to associate professor in 2000 and professor in 2009. He was appointed associate professor of epidemiology in 2004 and promoted to professor in 2009.

Dr. Taylor has published four book chapters, 56 peer-reviewed papers, and 55 research abstracts focusing on the public health threats of diabetes and the impact of diabetes on all aspects of dental health, particularly periodontal disease. Using information from insurance and employee databases, Dr. Taylor established key recommendations for health care decision-making that have had an important influence on dental health care policies. He served with distinction as a teacher at the School of Dentistry and the School of Public Health, while also maintaining a dental practice and serving as a consultant to major dental professional organizations. Within the School of Dentistry, Dr. Taylor's special insight was pivotal to the school's recent curriculum review and reformulation process that has gained significant national attention. Dr. Taylor is in constant demand as a speaker, having delivered more than 120 national invited presentations. He was a reviewer for 20 journals, served on five editorial boards, was a consultant to the Centers for Disease Control, a director of the American Board of Dental Public Health, a member of the American Dental Association Council on Scientific Affairs, and participated in a number of international committees.

The Regents now salute this distinguished faculty member by naming **George W. Taylor professor emeritus of dentistry and professor emeritus of epidemiology.**

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