THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN

Regents Communication

ACTION REQUEST

Subject:

Report of Faculty Retirement

Action Requested:

Adoption of Retirement Memoir

Bruce A. Watkins, Ph.D., associate professor of kinesiology, School of Kinesiology, retired from active faculty status on June 30, 2012.

Professor Watkins received his B.A. degree from St. Cloud State University in 1972, and his M.A. and Ph.D. degrees from the University of Kansas in 1977 and 1979, respectively. He joined the University of Michigan faculty in 1980 as an assistant professor in the Department of Communication, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, and was appointed assistant professor in the Department of Sports Management and Communication in the Division of Physical Education (now School of Kinesiology) in 1986. He was promoted to associate professor in 1990.

Professor Watkins was a visiting associate professor with the Indiana University Institut Teknologi MARA Joint Program, in Shah Alam, Malaysia (1993-94), and later returned as a Senior Fulbright Scholar (1999-2000). Within the Division of Kinesiology, he served as interim director (1998), associate dean for research and scholarly activities (1996-99), graduate programs chair (1994-97 and 2001-06), and as a member of the executive committee for six two-year terms. Professor Watkins provided quality instruction and set high academic standards for his students, whether he was teaching an undergraduate introductory course, or a graduate sport management and research methods class. He was recognized with the 1993 Teaching Excellence Award in Kinesiology.

The Regents now salute this distinguished teacher, researcher, and administrator for his dedicated service by naming **Bruce A. Watkins associate professor emeritus of kinesiology.**

Requested by:

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