THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN

Regents Communication

ACTION REQUEST

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

Roger J. Grekin, M.D., professor of internal medicine in the Medical School, retired from active faculty status on August 31, 2015.

Dr. Grekin received his B.S. and M.D. degrees from the University of Michigan in 1966 and 1968, respectively. He completed his internship (1968-69) and residency (1969-70) at the Tufts-New England Medical Center and his endocrinology fellowship (1970-72) at the Boston University Medical Center. From 1972-74, he served as a staff endocrinologist at the Wilford Hall USAF Medical Center, Lackland Air Force Base in San Antonio, Texas. Dr. Grekin joined the University of Michigan faculty as an assistant professor in 1974, and was promoted to associate professor in 1981, and professor in 1986.

Dr. Grekin is a leader in the field of endocrinology with special expertise in endocrine hypertension. His research explored a range of topics including aldosterone, atrial natriuretic factor, mineralocorticoid obesity-related hypertension, fatty acids, the sympathetic nervous system, and vascular remodeling. Dr. Grekin authored 72 peer-reviewed journal articles, served on the editorial boards of two prestigious journals, and was a frequent invited speaker at national symposia. He held numerous key leadership positions including chief, Endocrinology Section, Ann Arbor VA Medical Center (1974-2000), acting assistant chief, Medical Service, Ann Arbor VA Medical Center (1983-90), associate chairman of Internal Medicine for Faculty Affairs (1996-2000), interim chief, Division of Endocrinology and Metabolism (2000-03), director, University of Michigan Hypertension Program Project (1999-2004), and associate chief of staff for Research and Development Ann Arbor VA Medical Center, (1989-present). Dr. Grekin received the Medical School’s Lifetime Achievement Award in Medical Education in 2008 and the League of Educational Excellence Award in 2013.

The Regents now salute this distinguished faculty member by naming Roger J. Grekin, professor emeritus of internal medicine.

Requested by:

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