THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN

Regents Communication

ACTION REQUEST

Subject: Report of Faculty Death

Action Requested: Adoption of Memorial Statement

The Regents of the University of Michigan acknowledge with profound sadness the death on September 13, 2008 of I. Douglas Moon, Ph.D., professor of operations management, School of Management, at the University of Michigan-Flint.

Professor Moon was born in South Korea on November 15, 1945. He received his B.S. (1973) and M.S. (1974) degrees from the University of Texas, and his Ph.D. degree from Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University in 1976. From 1976-82 he was a faculty member at Columbia University, and from 1982-89 he was a faculty member at Rutgers University. He joined the faculty of the University of Michigan-Flint as professor of operations management in 1989. He served as interim dean of the School of Management from January-August 2004, and as dean from September 2004-June 2007.

Under Professor Moon’s leadership, the School of Management established global articulation agreements for international undergraduate and graduate education, including six articulation agreements for double MBA degree programs with business schools in India, Taiwan, China, and South Korea. His extensive research activities yielded over 35 refereed articles and two books, and he made more than 60 technical presentations at national and international conferences. During his tenure, Professor Moon also chaired and served on a wide range of university committees.

Through a generous endowed gift, Professor Moon created the I. Douglas Moon School of Management Undergraduate Merit Scholarship Fund. This was a tangible demonstration of his commitment to the highest academic standards at the University of Michigan-Flint and will support the education of undergraduate students who have demonstrated academic excellence. His contributions to the School of Management will endure for decades.

Professor Moon was a caring individual who was well-liked and respected, and he will be missed by his former students, colleagues, and friends at the University of Michigan-Flint. As we mourn the loss of this great scholar and teacher, our condolences go to his wife of 31 years, Insook, and his twin sons, Randy and Andy.

Requested by:

Sally J. Churchill
Vice President and Secretary of the University

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