## THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN

Regents Communication

## **ACTION REQUEST**

Subject:

Report of Faculty Retirement

Action Requested:

**Adoption of Retirement Memoir** 

Martha A. Adler, Ph.D., associate professor of education in the University of Michigan-Dearborn College of Education, Health, and Human Services, retired from active faculty status on December 31, 2018.

Professor Adler received her B.S. degree from Pennsylvania State University in 1965, her M.S. degree from California State University, Hayward (now East Bay) in 1983, and her Ph.D. degree from the University of Michigan in 1997. She completed a postdoctoral fellowship in early literacy at the University of Michigan's Center for the Improvement of Early Reading Achievement from 1997-2000. She joined the University of Michigan-Dearborn faculty as an assistant professor in 2002, and was promoted to associate professor in 2008.

Early in Professor Adler's career, she was a lecturer at UM-Ann Arbor and Eastern Michigan University. At UM-Dearborn, she was awarded two teaching faculty fellowships in the Global Intercultural Experience for Undergraduates program in 2004 and 2013. She was awarded several grants that helped to increase the number of teachers qualified to work with English language learners, including two from the U.S. Department of Education's English Language Acquisition: National Professional Development Program, where she served as a coprincipal investigator (2002-07) and principal investigator (2007-13), and one from the Michigan Department of Education's Improving Teacher Quality Grant Program (2015-16). Professor Adler received UM-Dearborn's Susan B. Anthony's Campus Award in 2018. She was the lead on three UM-Dearborn campus grant awards, all of which served to improve the Department of Education's teacher preparation program. She also developed multiple courses for a number of programs offered by the Department of Education, including the English as a Second Language Endorsement program and minor, the Teaching English to Speakers of Other Languages (TESOL) Certificate program, the Master of Arts in Education degree program in TESOL, and electives for the college's doctoral program in curriculum and practice and metropolitan education.

The Regents now salute this distinguished educator for her dedicated service by naming Martha A. Adler, associate professor emerita of education.

Requested by:

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