Subject: Report of Faculty Death

Action Requested: Adoption of Memorial Statement

The Regents of the University of Michigan acknowledge with profound sadness the death of Marilyn M. McNitt, A.M.L.S., associate archivist in the Bentley Historical Library. Mrs. McNitt died on October 22, 2013 at the age of 62.

Mrs. McNitt received her A.B. degree from Adrian College in 1973 and her A.M. and A.M.L.S. degrees from the University of Michigan in 1974 and 1976, respectively. From 1975-77, she served as a cataloger and curator of manuscripts at Central Michigan University’s Clarke Historical Library. Mrs. McNitt joined the University of Michigan’s Bentley Historical Library as a technical library assistant in 1988, and was promoted to assistant archivist in 1991, and associate archivist in 1997. She also held additional appointments in the Special Collections Library and the Institute of Gerontology.

Mrs. McNitt’s work focused on the selection, preservation, and accessibility of materials of enduring value that captured the University’s history, endeavors, and operations. She oversaw the curation and cataloging of University publications and records. Mrs. McNitt generously shared her expertise and provided customized research services to thousands of scholars, faculty, students, and visitors. She was also actively involved with the Michigan Archival Association and the Detroit Conference of the United Methodist Church Committee on Archives and History.

As we mourn the loss of our beloved colleague, we extend our heartfelt condolences to her husband William, her daughters Rebecca and Sarah, and her many loving relatives and friends.

Requested by:

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