Subject: Report of Faculty Retirement

Action Requested: Adoption of Retirement Memoir

John W. Halloran, Ph.D., professor of materials science and engineering in the College of Engineering, will retire from active faculty status on December 31, 2017.

Professor Halloran received his B.S. (1973) degree from the University of Missouri-Rolla and his Ph.D. (1977) degree from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology. Prior to joining the University of Michigan faculty as a professor in 1990, he was an assistant professor at The Pennsylvania State University (1976-79), associate professor at Case Western Reserve University (1979-85), and a senior research manager at the Ceramic Process System Corporation in Cambridge, Massachusetts (1985-90).

Professor Halloran’s research focused on ceramic materials, with a special emphasis on their properties and manufacturing, including 3D Printing. He published more than 250 papers and patents, was involved with several start-up companies, and participated in the commercialization of four University patents and innovations. Professor Halloran was the editor-in-chief of the Journal of the American Ceramic Society and a member of the World Academy of Ceramics. He served as chair of the Department of Materials Science and Engineering from 2000-05. A gifted teacher and dedicated mentor, Professor Halloran taught many of the materials science and engineering courses as well as advised 28 Ph.D. students. He was named the Alfred Holmes White Collegiate Professor from 2000-12 and the L.H. and F.E. Van Vlack Professor of Materials Science and Engineering from 2012-17. He received the Jon R. and Beverly S. Holt Award for Teaching Excellence from the College of Engineering in 2011.

The Regents now salute this distinguished faculty member by naming John W. Halloran, professor emeritus of materials science and engineering.

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