THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN

Regents Communication

ACTION REQUEST

Subject: Report of Faculty Retirement

Action Requested: Adoption of Retirement Memoir

James S. Diana, Ph.D., professor of environment and sustainability in the School for Environment and Sustainability, retired from active faculty status on December 31, 2018.

Professor Diana received his B.S. and M.A. degrees from California State University, Long Beach in 1974 and 1975, respectively. He received his Ph.D. degree from the University of Alberta in 1979. He joined the University of Michigan faculty as an assistant professor in 1979, and was promoted to associate professor in 1984, and professor in 1996. Professor Diana served as the associate dean from 1999-2007.

Professor Diana's teaching and research explored the aquatic sciences, with a special focus on aquatic animals and their interactions with the environment. From 2009-18, he served as the director of the Michigan Sea Grant Program funded by the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration. Professor Diana played an instrumental leadership role in the program's research, education, and outreach projects that were designed to foster science-based decisions about the use and conservation of Great Lakes resources. He authored more than 100 articles in the leading peer-reviewed publications as well as received a number of professional honors. In recognition of his extraordinary teaching and professional achievements, he received the Justin W. Leonard Award from the Michigan Chapter of the American Fisheries Society in 2006.

The Regents now salute this distinguished faculty member by naming James S. Diana, professor emeritus of environment and sustainability.

Requested by:

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