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## *Regents Communication*

### **ACTION REQUEST**

**Subject: Report of Faculty Retirement**  
**Action Requested: Adoption of Retirement Memoir**

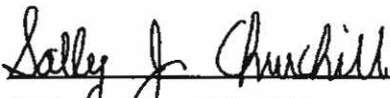
**Steven M. Donn, M.D.**, professor of pediatrics in the Medical School, retired from active faculty status on February 28, 2019.

Dr. Donn received his B.A. (1971) degree from the University of Michigan and his M.D. (1974) degree from Tulane University. He completed his pediatrics internship (1975-76) and pediatrics residency (1976-78) at the University of Vermont in addition to a neonatal-perinatal medicine fellowship (1978-80) at the University of Michigan. He joined the University of Michigan faculty as an assistant professor in 1980, and was promoted to associate professor in 1984, and professor in 1990. He was director of the Division of Neonatal-Perinatal Medicine from 1998-2009.

Dr. Donn's research career focused on innovations in diagnosis and treatment of conditions unique to the neonatal population. He authored 187 peer-reviewed publications, numerous book chapters, and edited many monographs, books, and manuals. In the early 1980s, he was a pioneer in demonstrating the utility of diagnostic ultrasound in the diagnosis and management of intraventricular hemorrhage and periventricular leukomalacia, and other central nervous system conditions unique to the newborn. Throughout his career he served as principal investigator or site investigator in numerous randomized controlled trials that built the evidence base for modern neonatal intensive care. He was also actively involved with a number of hospital, departmental, and school committees, including the Critical Care and Medical Liability Review Committees. Dr. Donn served on the American Academy of Pediatrics Committee on Medical Liability and Risk Management from 2006-12, chairing that body from 2008-12, and was a voting member of the Anesthesiology and Respiratory Therapy Device Panel of the Medical Devices Advisory Committee in the U.S. Food and Drug Administration's Center for Devices and Radiological Health from 2008-16. He was a dedicated mentor to many fellows and junior faculty and continues to be in demand as a contributor to continuing professional education nationally and internationally.

The Regents now salute this distinguished faculty member by naming **Steven M. Donn, professor emeritus of pediatrics.**

**Requested by:**



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