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ACTION REQUEST

Subject: Report of Faculty Retirement

Action Requested: Adoption of Retirement Memoir

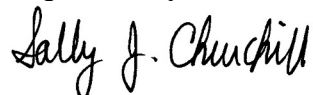
David E. Meyer, Ph.D., Clyde H. Coombs and J. E. Keith Smith Distinguished University Professor of Mathematical Psychology and Cognitive Science and professor of psychology in the College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, retired from active faculty status on May 31, 2023.

Professor Meyer received his B.A. (1964) degree from Wittenberg University, and his M.A. (1966) and Ph.D. (1969) degrees from the University of Michigan. He joined the University of Michigan faculty as an associate professor in 1977 and was promoted to professor in 1984. Professor Meyer was named the Clyde H. Coombs and J. E. Keith Smith Distinguished University Professor of Mathematical Psychology and Cognitive Science in 2008.

Professor Meyer has been one of the world's leading cognitive and mathematical psychologists during the last five decades. He has focused on fundamental topics in human semantic memory, executive mental processes related to multitasking, and goal-directed action via perceptual-motor processes. His research has used a diverse set of experimental methods and analytical techniques. It has benefited as well from great sophistication at applying mathematical and computational models to theorize about human behavior. Professor Meyer also has a quite impressive record of mentoring young scientists, inspiring them to high levels of scientific skill and rigor. Among his various honors are the Distinguished Scientific Contribution Award from the American Psychological Association, the William James Fellow Lifetime Achievement Award from the Association for Psychological Science, election to the National Academy of Sciences, and the 2016 Henry Russel Lectureship at the University of Michigan.

The Regents now salute this distinguished faculty member by naming **David E. Meyer, Clyde H. Coombs and J. E. Keith Smith Distinguished University Professor Emeritus of Mathematical Psychology and Cognitive Science and professor emeritus of psychology.**

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